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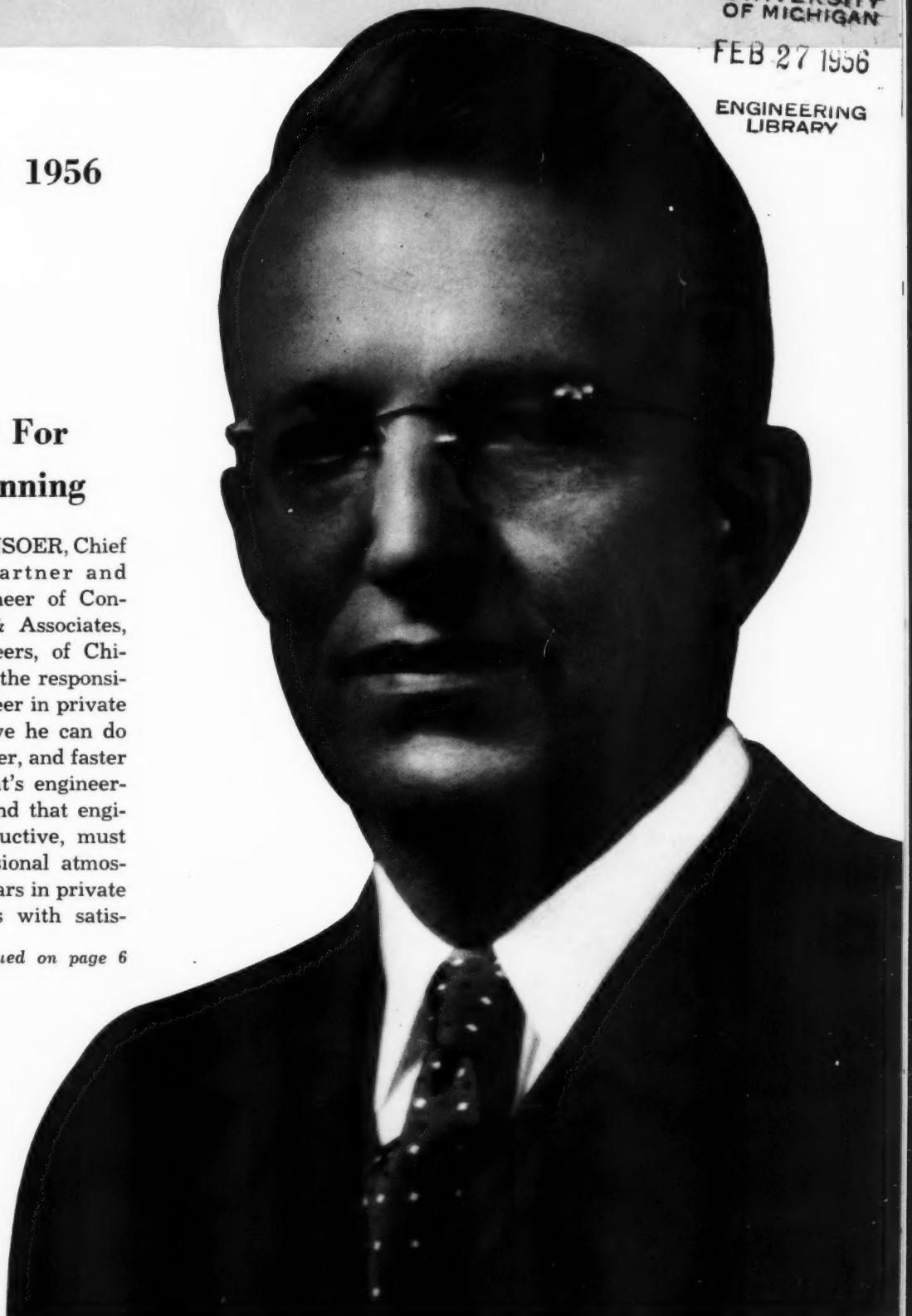
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## A Need For Bold Planning

ARTHUR W. CONSOER, Chief Executive Partner and Supervising Engineer of Consoer, Townsend & Associates, Consulting Engineers, of Chicago, Ill., believes the responsibility of the engineer in private practice is to prove he can do a job cheaper, better, and faster than can the client's engineering department, and that engineers, to be productive, must work in a professional atmosphere. After 36 years in private practice, he notes with satis-

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## Arthur W. Consoer

—Starts on front cover

faction an accelerated trend in the last three years toward greater reliance on the consultant by industry, public utilities, and public bodies.

A civil engineering graduate of the University of Wisconsin in 1913, he and the firm he helped organize in 1916 have had an Horatio Alger rise. In the early years, activity of the firm was confined to municipal improvement work for Chicago and the surrounding towns and villages. It now has branched out beyond the Middle West to projects across the country. The present staff numbers about 250 with a total of eleven partners.

Specializing in design of all types of municipal improvements and utilities, Consoer is well qualified to give a realistic appraisal of the needs of today's cities—from improved traffic facilities to adequate water and sewerage systems.

"Only bold and skillful planning will save our present cities. There must be an over-all plan that takes into account present needs and future growth. It is important that these projects are not carried out haphazardly, although each opportunity to improve the city must be seized.

"The big need is for cities to get caught up on their water supply needs. I fail to see that most cities can meet maximum daily water demand with present facilities. Think what a fire hazard this is. I, personally, know of sizeable towns where a large fire on a hot, dry summer day could destroy the town because there was not enough water to fight the blaze. Then, too, the average city does not have an adequate sewer system. Many of them have only one sewer system that must take care of both storm carry off and sewage. It is simply a case of more load than the sewers were designed to carry. Milwaukee, Wis. is now making the type of bold plans referred to. They are studying the possibility of installing separation sewers at an estimated cost of \$200 million.

"We must keep in mind that no one of these needs has real priority over the others. They must be planned for simultaneously. City planning, including zoning, a building code that is capable of being enforced, and redevelopment of worn out neighborhoods, must be incorporated in any improvement scheme. Chicago is moving ahead in this direction under leadership of the Chicago Land Clearance Commission. The Commission does the over-all planning and then calls in the consulting engineer and the architect to do the detail planning. In one slum redevelopment project on which we worked for the Commission, we redesigned the entire street pattern and provided for all utilities, using what we could salvage of the old and adding new as needed. One of the improvements incorporated was modern street lighting — another widespread city need. This type of housing project prevents what William Zeckendorf has called horizontalization—the spread of

low income families from the slums to outlying communities. Since they have little money, they buy low cost, poorly built, one family houses. These areas become the slums of tomorrow.

"We have given much thought to city planning here at Consoer, Townsend and Associates. We have associated with us on such work Carl Gardner, former Executive Engineer of the Chicago City Planning Commission, and a well-known planning expert.

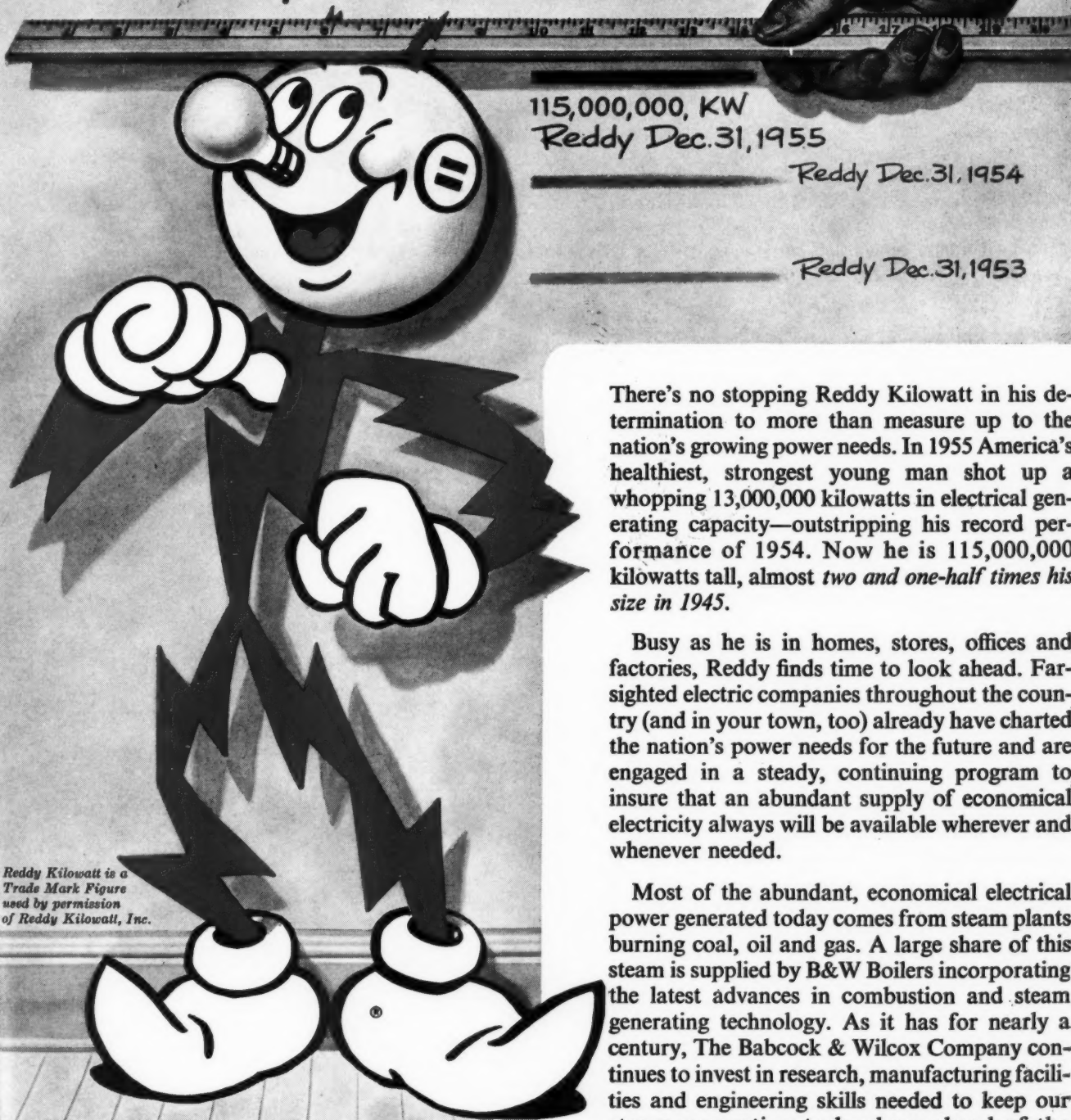
"Based on many years of experience in helping cities and towns solve their traffic problems, we favor the building of a network of expressways with a median strip for mass transportation by electric trains, buses, and possibly Monorail. These expressways would radiate out from the center of the city, reaching the suburbs and outlying neighborhoods. They would terminate inside the downtown area in garages and parking lots. The high speed at which the public transportation could travel on the median strip would encourage many people to leave their cars at home. I, for one, would not drive from my home in Park Ridge every day if I could take a bus or electric train that traveled at speeds up to, say, 80 miles an hour.

"Where are we going to find the engineers to plan these improvements? We, the engineers in private practice, must convince the young men graduating from engineering school that their opportunity for advancement is greatest in the consulting engineering field. They must be told that firms such as ours now offer the security once associated only with industry and civil service work — bonuses, profit sharing, non-contributing life insurance, hospitalization, and pension plans — plus the stimulation of working in a truly professional atmosphere.

"My observation is that the young engineer outside the consulting field rises rapidly for a short time and then reaches an intermediate plateau where his advancement proceeds much more slowly. In our office, as in any similar engineering office, advancement is governed solely by how able and willing to work the man is.

"For our men who aspire to their own organizations, we have what we call a satellite arrangement. The engineer opens his own office and, after he has obtained sufficient skill and experience, we may negotiate with him to do part of some of our work. He is in no respect a subcontractor or assignee. He works under our direction and control. An engineer on our staff checks the work. You might say we monitor the operation. The satellite firm may do such work as surveys, plans, and specifications. They are also free to accept independent assignments from clients. After about five years they are usually ready to branch out entirely for themselves, and the satellite arrangement is terminated. For the engineer with special talent it means a chance to start a successful private practice of his own—which should be the aim of every qualified engineer." ▲ ▲

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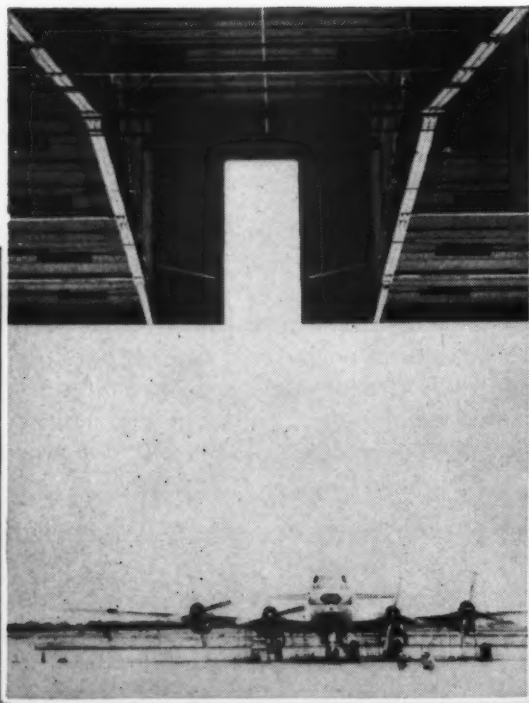
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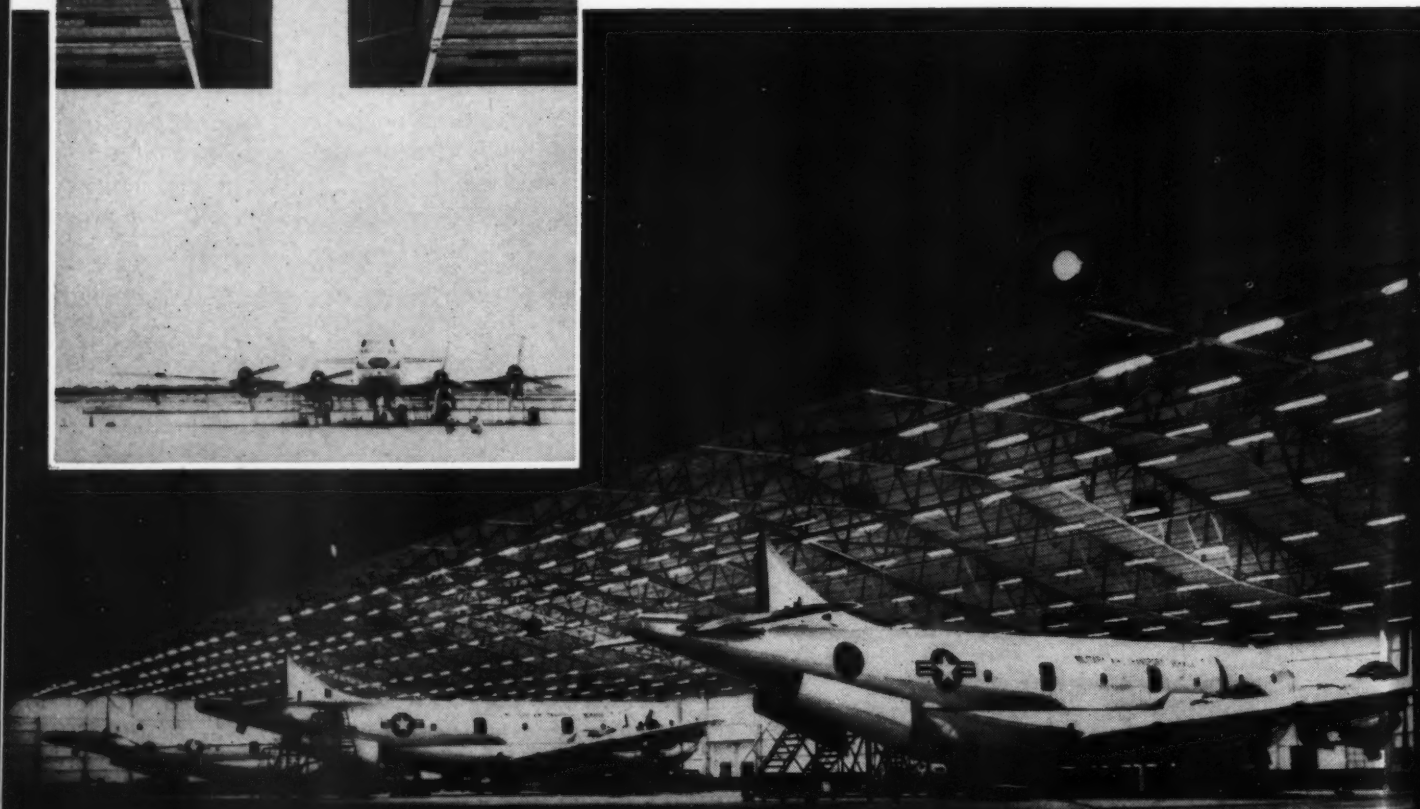


The 76-foot-long member which connects the top ridge of the cantilever to the top of the inner column is designed to act either in tension or compression—supports weight of roof loading, and withstands 30 psf uplift from wind under roof.

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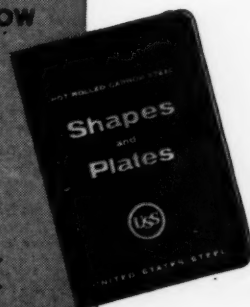
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Nathan Clark, Supervisor  
Related Technical Subjects  
Board of Education  
The City of New York

### National Association

Dear Sir:

As you will note from the questionnaire which I have filled out (CONSULTING ENGINEER Survey, see Jan., p. 56.) I am opposed to an Association of Consulting Engineers and feel rather that such an Association could very well fit into the framework of the National Society of Professional Engineers. Our member state society, the Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers, has done an excellent job in Tennessee in representing the practicing consulting engineer and we have found that things can be accomplished in behalf of the consulting engineer by the sheer weight of numbers making up the membership of TSPE.

There are already too many societies representing the engineering profession and as a result the engineering profession is not well represented on any front. You will note from my answers to the questionnaire that I belong only to the National Society of Professional Engineers, even though I am eligible for membership in the ASCE, ASME, AIEE, and the ASH&VE. . . .

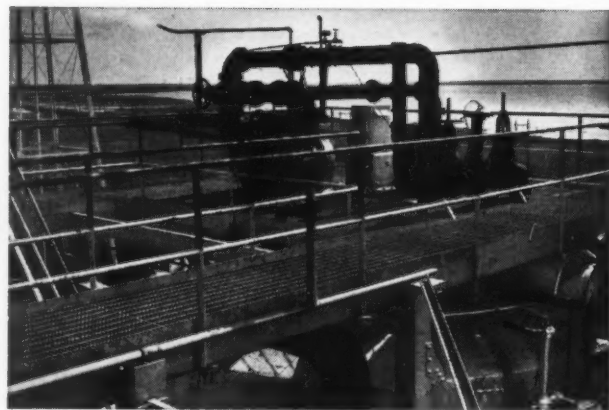
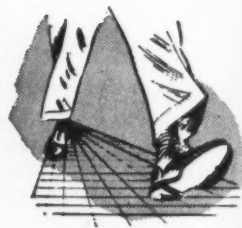
I certainly think it would be advisable to explore very completely the possibilities of forming an association within the framework of NSPE and recommend this be done.

Lorin B. Allen  
Allen & Hoshall  
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Dear Sir:

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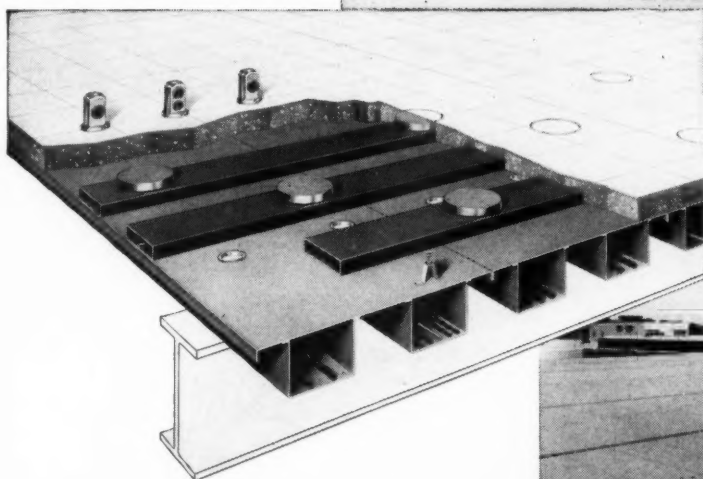
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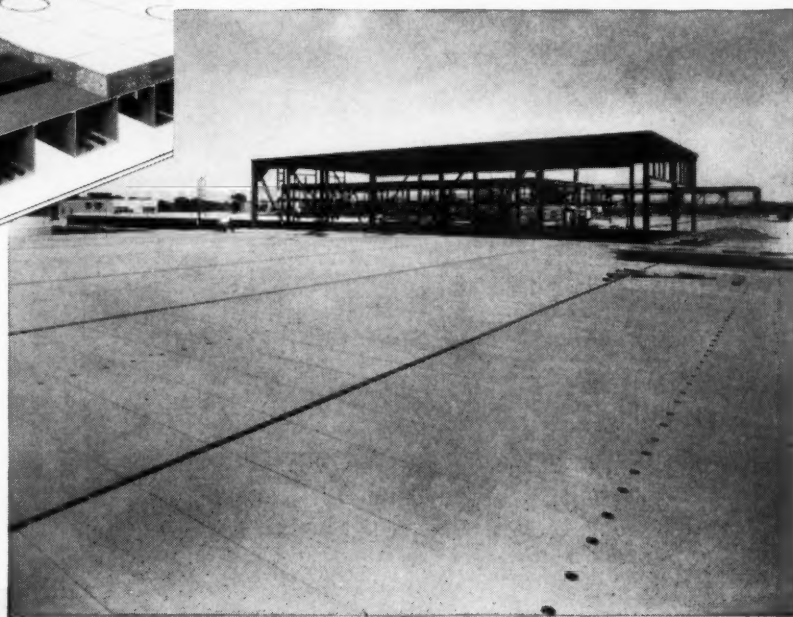
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# M-DECKS



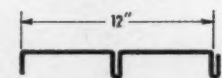
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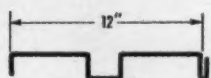


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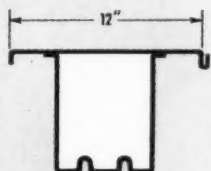
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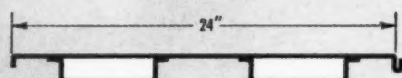
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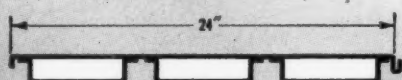
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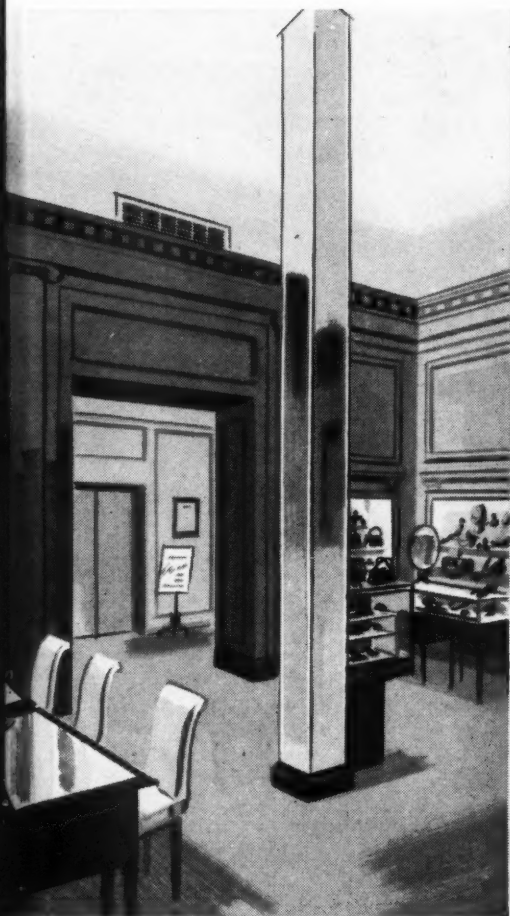
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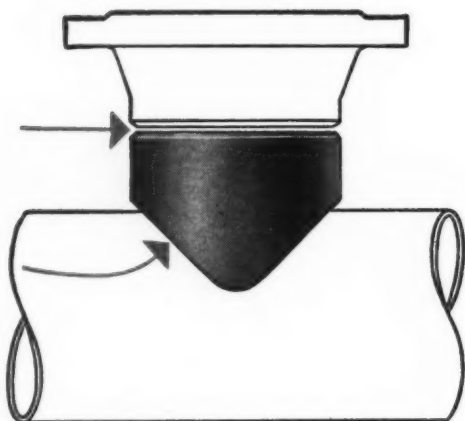


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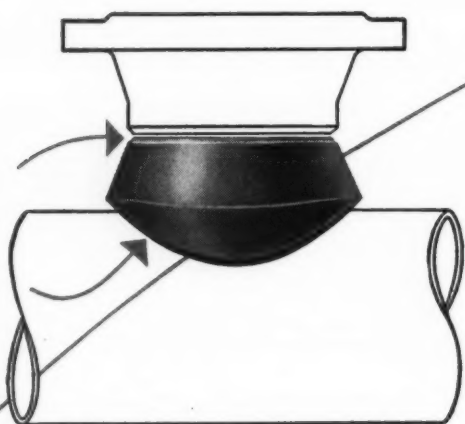
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registered, or qualified employed engineers under one general organization on a national basis, sectionalized into the various branches such as AIEE, ASCE, etc. each continuing its efforts to advance its membership by education, ethics, and social activities. The field is too broad for one organization to handle the specialized branches but the parent organization could take care of general organization (representatives of all branches being on the board of control), legal problems, national public education, Washington observation, and all matters of general interest to each of the branches.

ASME and AIEE, etc. would continue to function as they now do from a technical and social aspect. The combined membership of all would be aimed at one goal and we might do as well as the attorneys (American Bar Association) and doctors (American Medical Association). A small fee from a big membership would finance the parent organization and a fee adequate for branch requirements would finance the branch. . . .

Charles W. Burney  
The Austin Co.  
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

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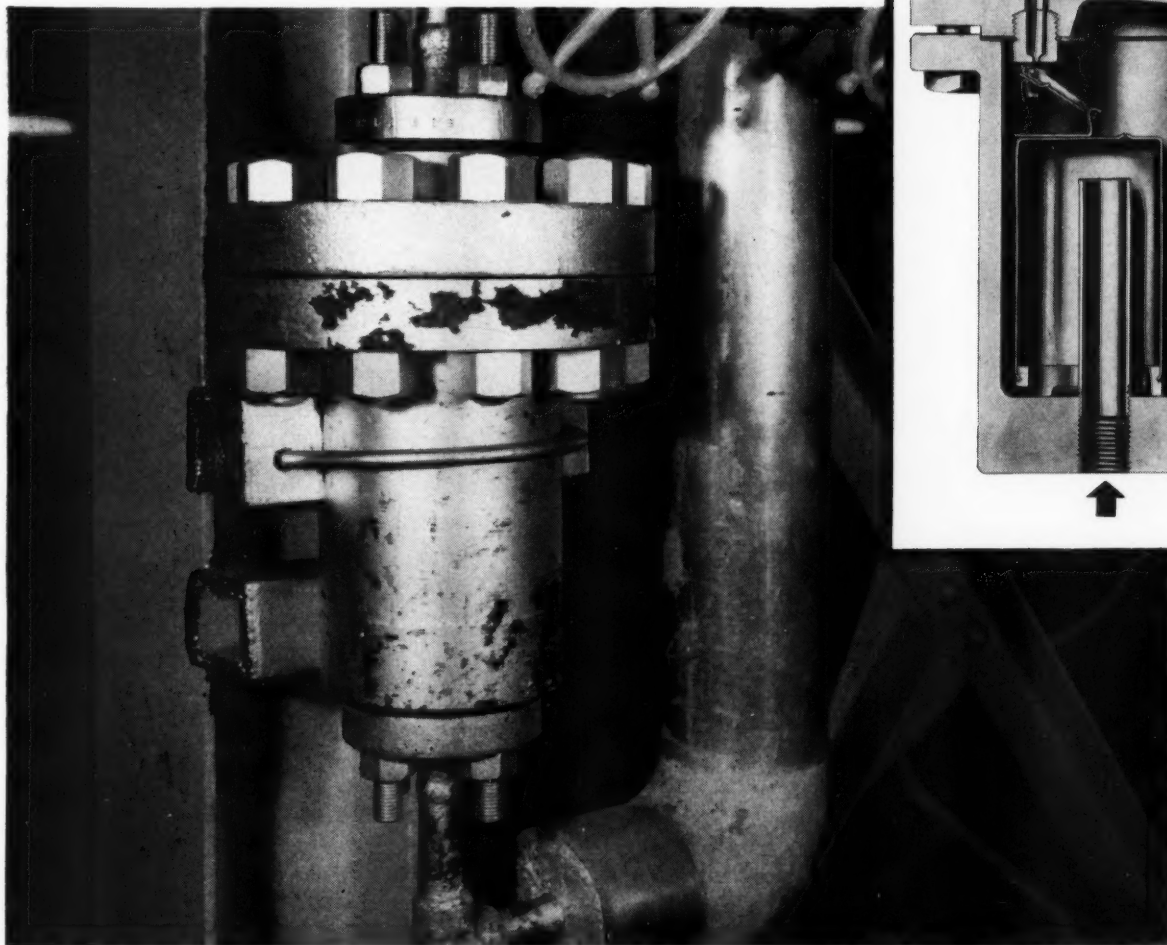
It is the writer's opinion that a national organization of consulting engineers will not be strong enough to stand alone and be effective. While admittedly somewhat hampered when affiliated with NSPE, the group could exert a much greater force nationally than in any other way. We already have far too many engineering organizations and another would be lost in the shuffle.

This organization could be formed with a separate financial supporting structure to encourage legislative action, to educate the public, and to handle the other requirements of the consultants' group. Employees of the consulting firms should definitely be included as a part of this organization since they are the consultants and key personnel of the consulting firms of the future and will necessarily be charged with up-holding the aims of the group.

It is believed that the professional engineers will seriously consider a strong consulting group particularly if the alternative of a national consultant's group is brought to their attention and they are made to see the consequences of losing the consulting engineers' support. The Ohio Society of Professional Engineers is presently taking active steps to



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the company's leadership in the field of store front design, to a great extent, is due to the cooperation between the architectural management of Kawneer and the practicing architect. When it became apparent that World War II was ending, Mr. Lawrence J. Plym, President of the Kawneer Company, engaged a leading architect to help develop Kawneer-advanced store front design theories.

By this time, Kawneer had had experience in working all of the commercial metals—copper, bronze, steel and aluminum. It became apparent that aluminum was the ideal architectural metal because of its attractive appearance, corrosion-resistance, light weight and workability.

### Pioneer in Aluminum Fabrication

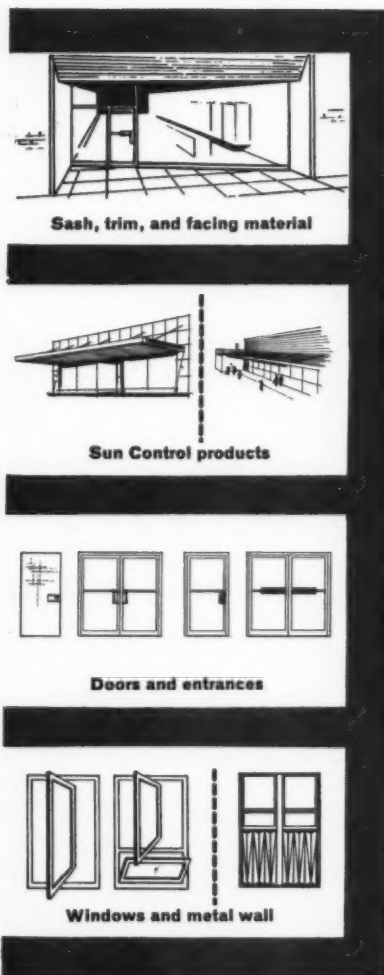
The ability to give architectural metal products a certain "touch" has given Kawneer the opportunity to build products for all types of buildings. For example, Kawneer pioneered the use of aluminum for curtain wall construction and windows. Such notable buildings as the St. Paul Post Office, the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research and Boulder Dam Power House featured the famous Sealair windows and cast aluminum spandrels. Today, outstanding monumental edifices like the new, modern Tishman Building in Los Angeles and the Equitable Life Assurance Building in San Francisco feature metal wall construction by Kawneer. In the 30's, Kawneer was the largest aluminum window manufacturer in the U. S. The famous Sealair name was known as the ideal metal sash for home, office and factory. World War II stopped production of this window, but today it has returned again with outstanding features designed for the architect.

The great diversification of Kawneer architectural products and

### New Store Front Concept Created

The ideas that the consultant architect and the Kawneer staff developed have since become criteria for the entire industry. Useless ornamentation, or "rococo" were eliminated. The intrinsic beauty of aluminum was accentuated in simple, functional metal design. The concept of the "open front" was advanced. It was believed that the desired effect of the full vision front would be attained when framed. As a result, many king-size trim-mouldings were introduced into the Kawneer line. The tremendously appealing flush glazing was developed. The result of this cooperation was the "K-47" line of architectural metals that have a professional design character, yet can be purchased out of stock.

Out of the post-war development came a new idea in aluminum facing. This is the product we all know today as ZOURITE. The consultant architect designed the profile of this facing while Kawneer engineers were experimenting with certain types of finishes. Although a regular alumilite finish



was in demand, a group of colors would make this product much more versatile. Many experiments were conducted with lacquers, baked enamels, paints and porcelain. None were quite satisfactory. Then, despite the low melting point of aluminum, Kawneer and DuPont pooled resources and for the first time, applied porcelain enamel to aluminum successfully to a production process. Today, Zourite is available in 10 different colors and a new additional profile has been designed that comes in pastel shades and alumilite. The color and profile combinations give the architect great versatility of design. Since the first Zourite, the use of color in architectural metals has become one of the major design focal points.

The K-47 line of architectural metals brought forth new concepts in store design. As a result of this research, many books were published to assist the architect. Illustrations developed at great expense are still available to act as guideposts.

#### **In Constant Touch with Architects**

The interest in new products grew to an enthusiastic pitch as a result of the immediate post-war development. Kawneer's Research and Development Department grew by leaps and bounds. The size necessitated formal working agreements with architectural firms. These firms act as consultants by establishing design criteria for proposed projects. They help in specifying the desired features, functions, size and modular requirements. Throughout the development period, the solutions to these requirements are reviewed by practicing architects.

To round out the development work in relation to the architect's needs, an architect with a heavy background in architectural research is retained on the Kawneer staff. He is concerned with desirable sizes and modular standards. He works with a group of the more prominent architectural firms so that their thought is brought into the design considerations.

Finally, Kawneer makes sure by surveying a large cross section of architectural firms during the forma-

tive stage to gather opinions and demands. If you have seen the phrase "Demand-Designed" in regard to a Kawneer product, this survey technique is the reason why.

After 50 years of close cooperation with architects, Kawneer can truthfully claim to have always been in "touch" with the profession and construction industry. Today the line has greatly diversified to include metal wall, flush doors, sun control products and other assemblies for big buildings, little buildings, stores, offices, factories, schools, et al. The organization has grown to include 12 factories and warehouses, over 110 salesmen covering the U. S., Canada and Latin America, and more than 1200 factory-trained dealers. From research to the installed metal, Kawneer devotes itself to the needs of the architect.

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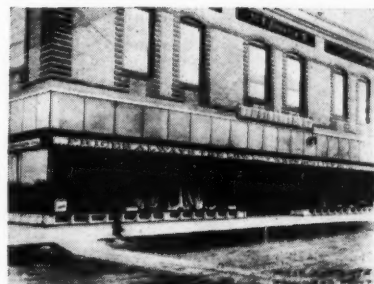
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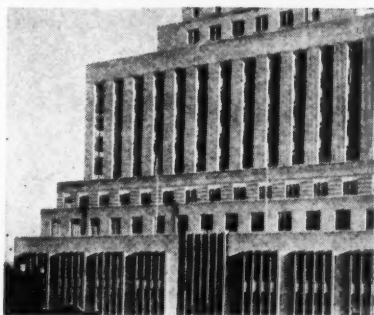
Kawneer maintains an extensive Research and Development program to contribute new products to the construction industry. Very soon, a number of new products will be announced in commemoration of its 50th Anniversary. Look for the announcement in the coming issues of this magazine.



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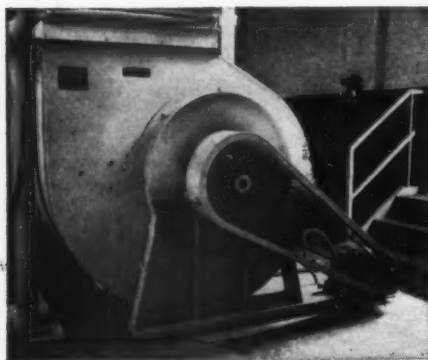
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In my opinion, a concerted effort should be made by the members of all engineering associations to form one coordinated association with committees or sections in this association to handle special requirements of special groups. My present thinking is that the various state societies of professional engineers are the organizations at the state level that could most logically represent all engineers and that the National Society of Professional Engineers could coordinate the activities of the individual state societies.

Robert E. Briggs  
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Dear Sir:

Nothing would please the unions better than to see the consultants in an organization of their own. The unions could then point to them and say to the employed engineer, "your bosses have organized, so now, for self-protection, you must organize—and we'll do it for you."

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The profession and the Professional Society need the prestige of the consultants.

The consultants need the membership of the Professional Society and the moderating influence of that membership. Working within the Society, the consultants would have to moderate their immediate desires to the desires of the professionals as a whole (as represented in the Society), but would benefit by the backing of the large and diversified membership. . . .

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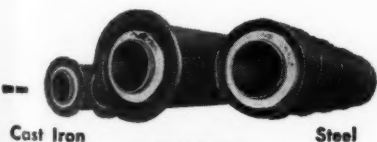
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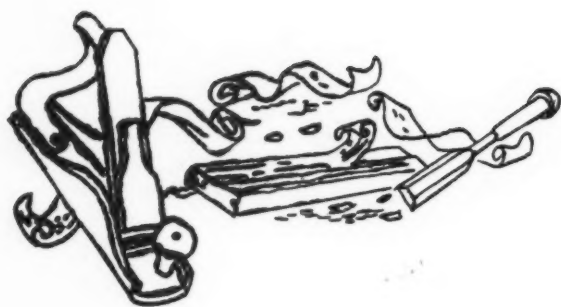


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## SCRAPS & SHAVINGS

THERE IS DANGER of a serious break between those consulting engineers who are avid supporters of the Functional Group plan of the National Society of Professional Engineers and those consulting engineers who are promoting a National Federation of the State Societies of Consulting Engineers. The survey conducted last month by *CONSULTING ENGINEER* shows that about 52 percent of the engineers in private practice are now members of NSPE. The same survey showed that 76 percent of those same engineers feel that the State Associations of Consulting Engineers should form a National Federation, and a very large majority of the consultants in states where there are currently no State Associations think such groups should be formed as soon as possible.

Many of the most active members and officers of NSPE are opposed to the idea of separate associations for consulting engineers, and they are convinced that the proper approach is for consultants to activate functional groups in their State Societies of Professional Engineers and operate within the framework of NSPE. They think that any association formed strictly for engineers in private practice would further divide the whole engineering profession and make unity that much more difficult.

On the other hand, the majority of consultants seem to feel that they need state and national associations to deal with their own particular problems as engineers in private practice. To be quite blunt, these engineers want something close to a management association — a group dealing primarily with problems involving the financial well-being of the private practitioner. As these men see it, this is a job that has to be done solely for the consultants, and therefore it should be done solely by the consultants.

They point out that a large percentage of the engineers who are members of NSPE are employee engineers in industry. The large percentage of the consulting engineers are employers or at least top management. While the goals of both are the same so far as the over-all development of the profession is concerned, their aims may be quite different when it comes down to basic business problems. Therefore, all engineers, those in industry and those in private

practice, should belong to one Society of Professional Engineers, but, they say, this does not mean that engineers in private practice should be kept from associating themselves in a group designed to promote the interests of their own privately owned businesses.

In general, then, NSPE opposes the idea of consultants forming an association because it will be "yet one more engineering organization." But the backers of the consultants' associations still feel that NSPE is a worthy organization to which all engineers, including consulting engineers, should belong. This is not a new attitude, it is just that it is now visible on a larger scale. The same condition existed a few years ago in Oklahoma when a number of Oklahoma consultants formed an association outside of the OSPE. It was thought then, by the staunch members of OSPE, that this was a break that would separate the consultants from all other engineers. It turned out differently. Instead, the consultants maintained their membership in OSPE and even helped increase its membership. They worked as officers and committee members of OSPE on all problems affecting engineers as a whole. They worked within the new Oklahoma Association of Consulting Engineers only on those problems that involved engineers in private practice. The result was a logical arrangement that worked to the benefit of both groups.

Very much the same thing happened in Minnesota. Then, with the formation of the Missouri Association of Consulting Engineers, last summer, the founders went so far as to put into their by-laws a stipulation that to be a member of the Association, one would have to also be a member of MSPE.

It is hoped that with the formation of a National Federation of Consulting Engineers, the history of the Oklahoma and Minnesota Associations and their relations with their State Societies of Professional Engineers can be repeated on a national scale.

It seems to us that if the Steering Committee of the National Federation sets the organization up in such a way that firms rather than individuals are members, and they clearly define the aims of the Federation, it will soon be clear that there is here no effort to usurp or dilute the excellent work of the National Society of Professional Engineers. ▲ ▲

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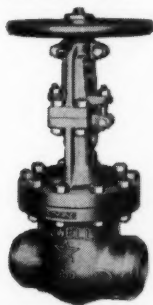


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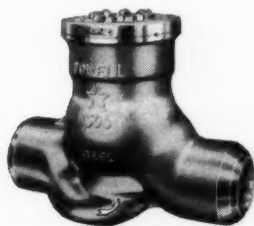
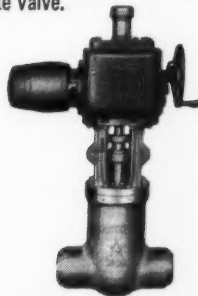
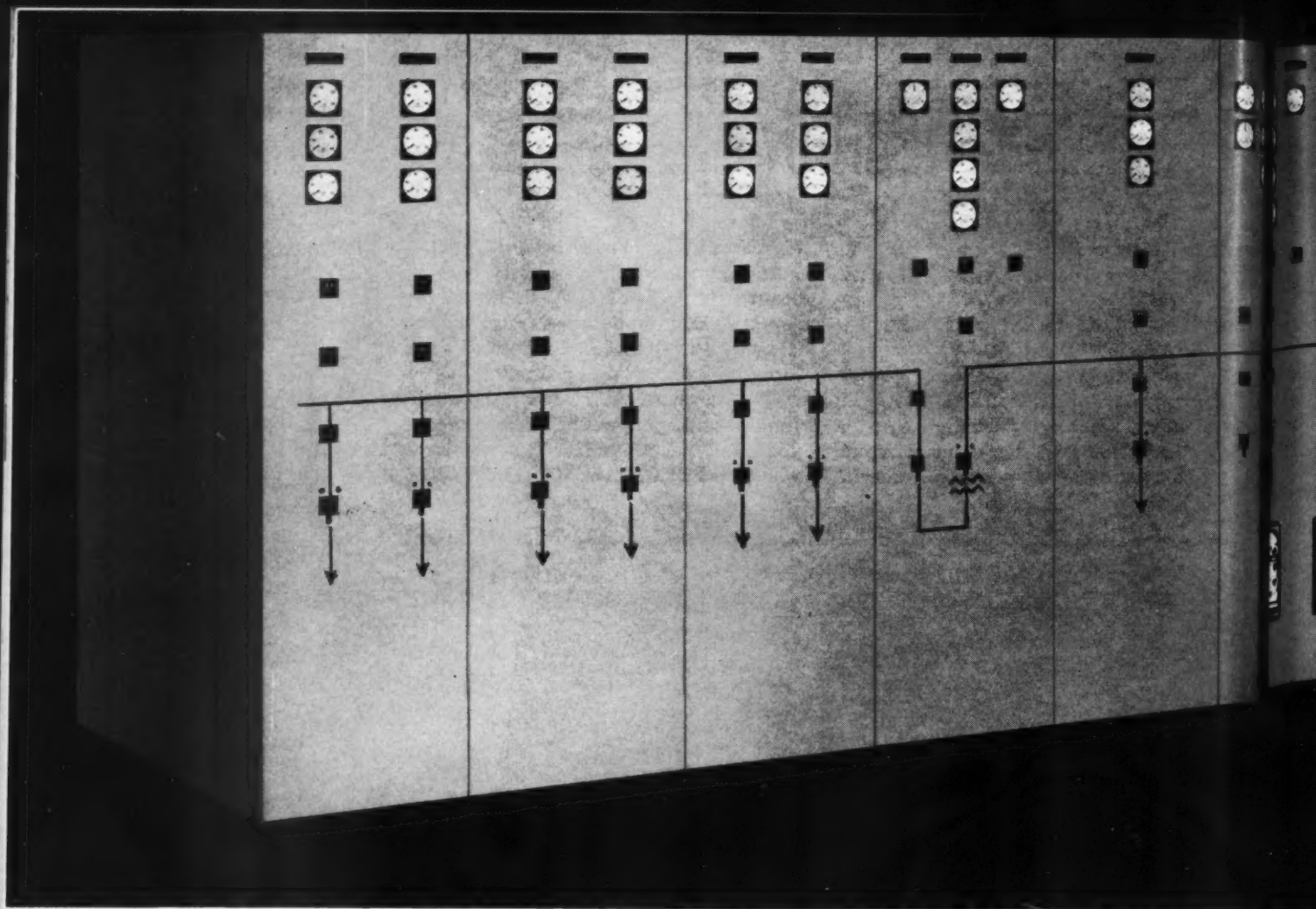


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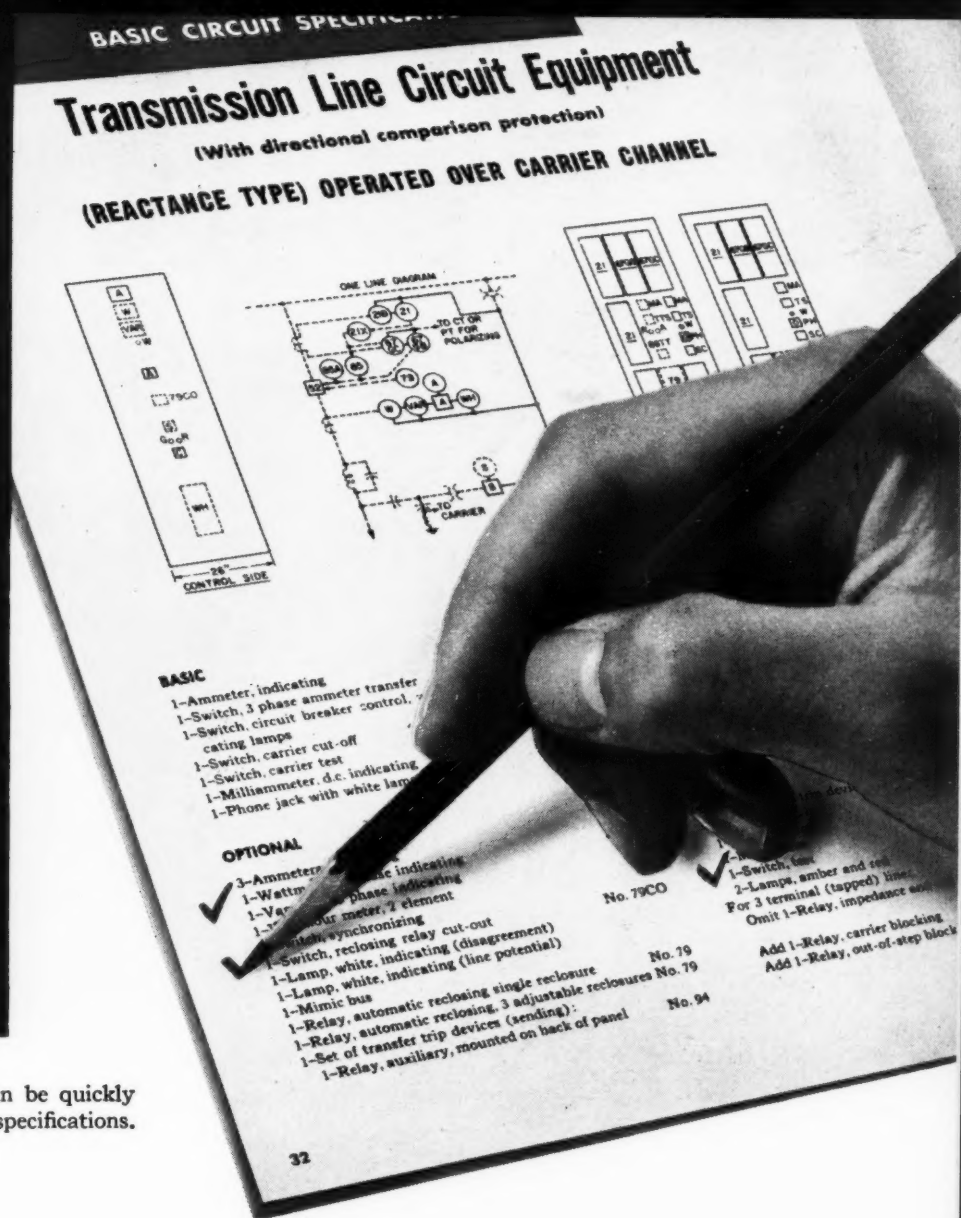
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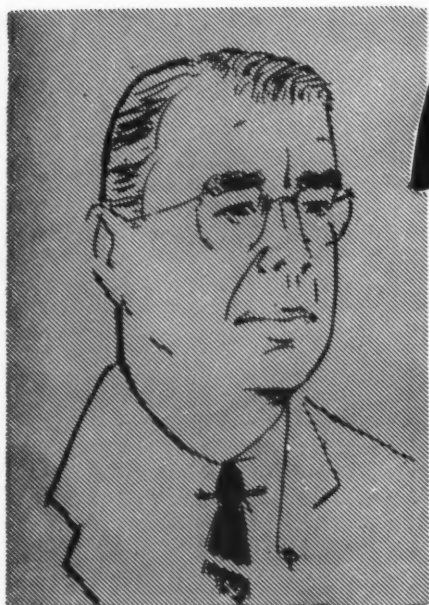
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# ECONOMIC News Notes

◇ **BOOM AHEAD**—Corroborating earlier forecasts that 1956 would be another record-year for the construction industry, Mr. Roy Wenzlick, real-estate analyst, stated in a speech last month that an increase in commercial and industrial construction should more than offset a slight drop in residential building. Pointing out that there will be a material increase in the number of persons reaching marriageable age in the decade of the Sixties, he looks for a new housing boom of substantial proportions at that time.

◇ **LUMBER RESERVOIR**—Estimating demand for new dwellings will rise to 2.2 million units by 1975, Timber Resource Review, published by the Forest Service of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, points out that the derived demand for lumber supplies will fall heavily on the South. This region leads the nation in its saw-timber growth and has a practically unlimited potential timber supply.

◇ **BETTER MOUSETRAP**—The United Aircraft Corp. found that a major reason for its typical difficulty in hiring and holding engineers and skilled technicians was the absence of a nearby college where engineers and scientists could continue or complete their education while on the job. So the company brought the hill to Mahomet—it persuaded Rensselaer Poly to set up a graduate school in the neighborhood of the plant, utilizing a revamped shopping center. United Aircraft picks up the tuition tab for its worker-students. The latter have work-school schedules permitting them to obtain a Masters degree in 2½ years. The school is open to employees of any company and has attracted the active interest of a number of other concerns in the area.

◇ **SECURITY AND ECONOMY**—The American Machine & Foundry Co. is studying the feasibility of constructing an underground plant on a location near Huntsville, Ala. The company is considering estimates indicating that costs of constructing and maintaining an underground plant would be lower than they would be for an orthodox plant of similar size. The site, on which AMF holds an option, was chosen to provide "a moun-

tain with sufficient elevation and the proper geological formation for low-cost excavation."

◇ **NORMAL BOOM**—Citing problems that will be met along the way, Mr. T. S. Holden, F. W. Dodge Corporation, feels that "if all goes well," there may "easily" be \$450 billion worth of new construction put in place in the next decade. Incidentally, Dodge is publishing again, for the first time since 1942, its Building Business, a monthly bulletin of information on construction trends and related subjects.

◇ **TEXAS-SIZE**—Stating, "We plan to make this portion of Texas the most important light-industry spot in the nation," Mr. W. Zeckendorf, president of Webb & Knapp, announced plans for a large urban industrial development in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area. Reported to eventually include over 4000 acres, the site will offer a transportation advantage in the form of the Dallas-Ft. Worth toll road now under construction.

◇ **MORE POWER**—Electric utilities will reverse the trend of the past two years and increase aggregate outlays for new plant and equipment this year, according to estimates of the Edison Electric Institute. Joint estimates of the Departments of Commerce and Labor, however, indicate a decline of 6% this year for new construction by private electric utilities. The Institute looks for construction outlays to average about \$3 billion annually over the next ten years.

◇ **INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION**—A survey of a large number of metalworking plants by Steel, the metalworking weekly magazine, disclosed that 15% of all plants expect to construct new facilities this year and that 40% expect to build additions to existing plants. Metalworking executives look for the dollar volume of such sales to rise 8% above 1955, with price increases accounting for only a part of the gain.

◇ **THROUGH-THE-TRANSIT**—A 38% increase in capital spending in the Pittsburgh area (four counties) is looked for this year by the Business Research Bureau of the University of Pittsburgh. . . . Note the excellent selling job Employers Mutuals of Wausau has been doing for the city of Wausau, Wisc., by way of its interest-filled ads. They spell construction eventually. . . . 1955 was the second consecutive year of decline in awards for hotel construction. . . . A 25% rise in acoustical building materials this year is predicted by the Acoustical Materials Assoc. . . . Two Italian companies beat out American and European bidders for the contract to build a \$170 million steel mill for the oil-rich Venezuelan government. . . . The segregation issue may be a block to enactment of legislation for Federal aid to school construction.





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# ATOMS IN ACTION

"RADIATION STERILIZED foods taste, smell, and look terrible," said Dr. Leonard Reiffel, supervisor of nuclear physics at Armour Research Foundation, in a year-end statement on progress in the atomic energy field. As more feasible at the present time he cited radiation pasteurization—killing most, but not all, of the bacteria. This requires less radiation, does not destroy food quality, and still lengthens storage life under refrigeration.

THE FIRST LUMP-SUM contract to build reactor fuel elements in a privately owned facility has been awarded to The Babcock & Wilcox Co. by AEC. Contract calls for 325 fuel element assemblies to replenish the core of the Materials Testing Reactor at Arco, Idaho, operated by Phillips Petroleum Co. for AEC.

SITE WORK has begun at ALCO Products' new nuclear laboratory at Schenectady, N.Y. The reactor facility will be used for experiments in connection with ALCO's contract for design and construction of the Army Package Power Reactor. Called zero power experiments, the tests will employ fuel elements to be used in the Army plant, but power level will be kept down to one watt.

THE SEVEN TO NINE MILL per kwh power cost for nuclear power stations seemed far away when Rear Admiral H. G. Rickover told a meeting of industrialists that, "with conservative contingencies and minimum specified performance," the cost of power from the Shippingport PWR plant will be 52 mills per kwh, assuming a load factor of 80 percent and a plant capacity of 60,000

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## Canton Stoker Buys Wagener Steam Pump

69-Year-Old Firm Will Be Operated as Division of Purchaser

Canton Stoker Corp. has purchased the assets of the Wagener Steam Pump Co. of 1101 8th st SW, which has been a manufacturer of piston type steam and power pumps for 69 years.

Wagener pumps are designed to operate either with high pressure steam or electric motor drives. They are used for a wide variety of purposes.

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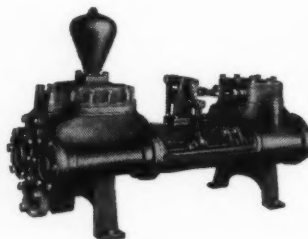
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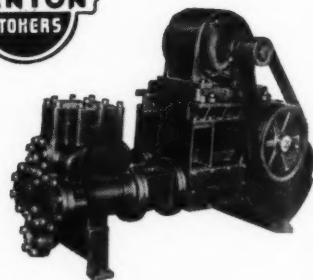
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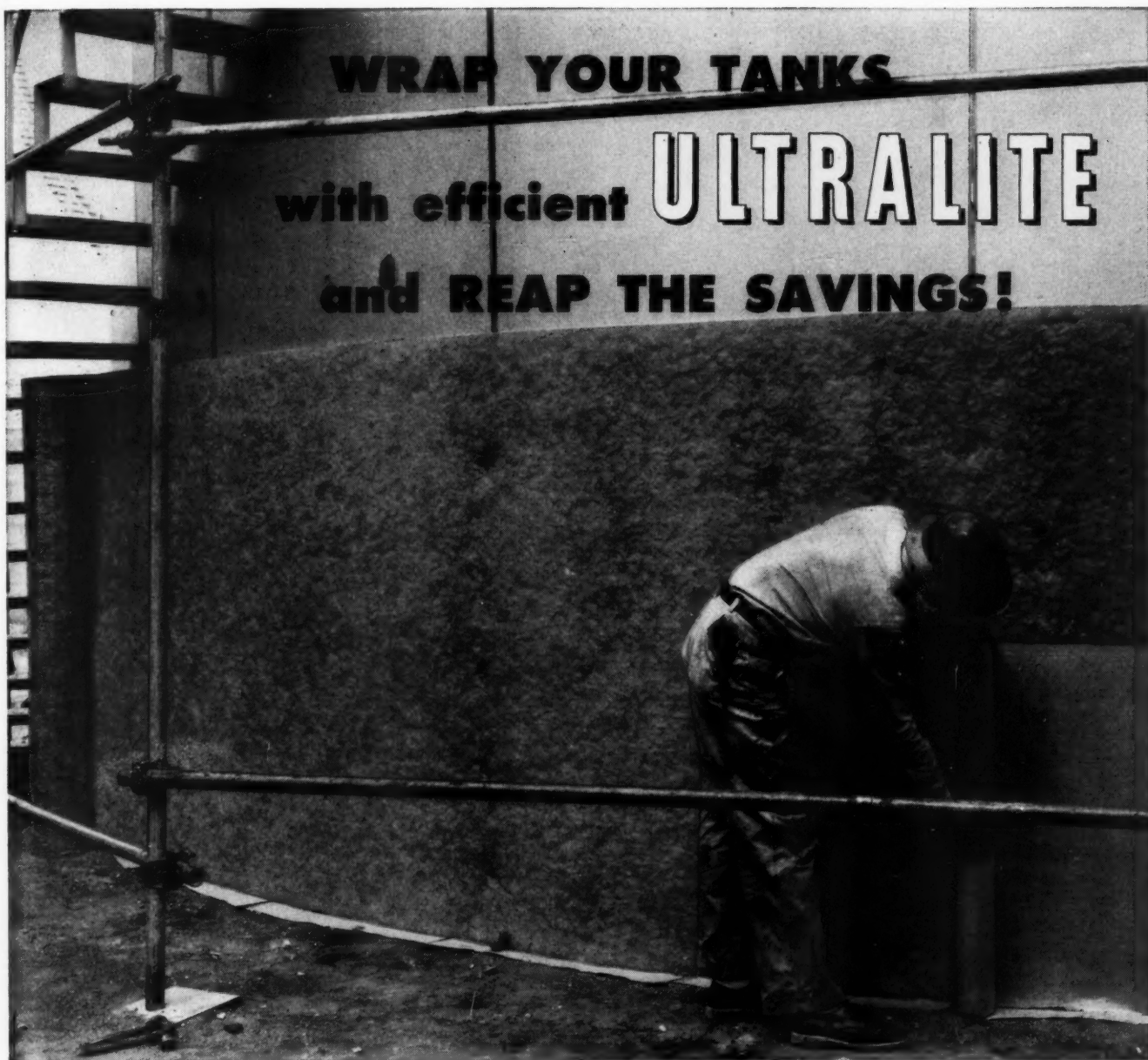
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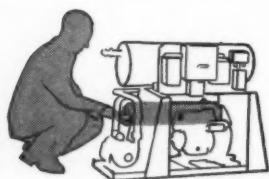
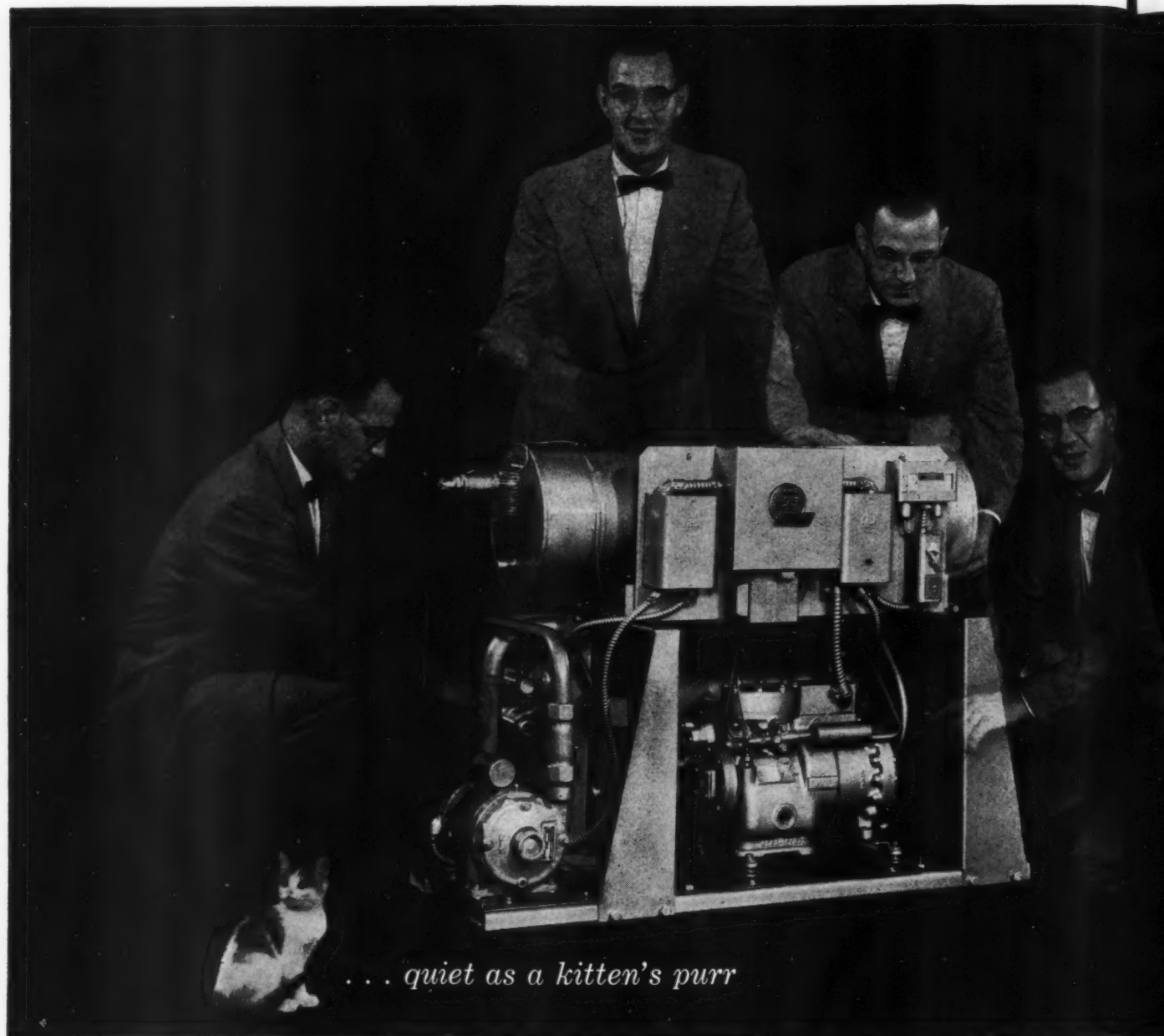
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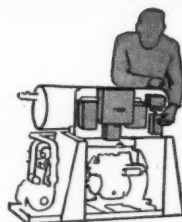
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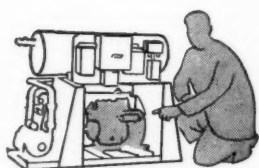
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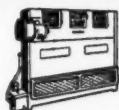


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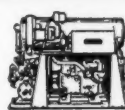
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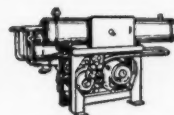
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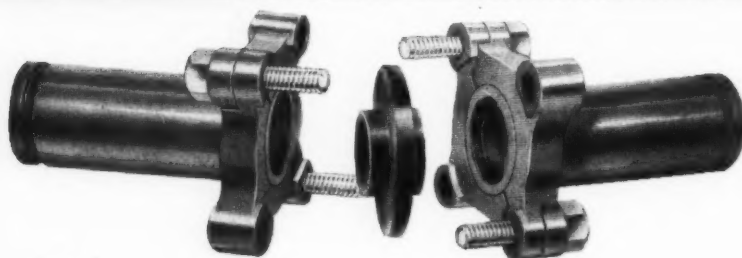
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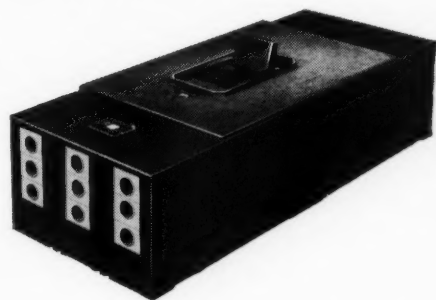
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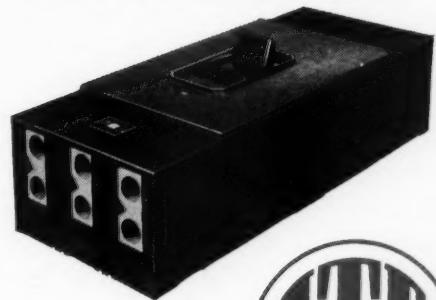
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## Steam Pollution and Riparian Rights

**LEGAL LIABILITY** for the pollution of streams may be predicated on any of three grounds: nuisance, riparian rights, or statutory prohibition. We have considered the problem of nuisance. Here we will consider the subject of riparian rights as it affects the problem of stream pollution.

The law of riparian rights is a part of the law of real property, and is of a relatively technical nature. Riparian rights are the rights to the use and enjoyment of the water by the possessors of land adjoining streams. Since there are many riparian owners, it is obvious that no one owner will ordinarily have the exclusive right to the use of the water, for each riparian owner must have similar rights. The basic legal problem is the apportionment of these rights among the various owners.

The definition ordinarily given for riparian land is land that borders on a natural stream or through which a natural stream flows. A riparian proprietor is a person in legal possession of riparian land: the owner or tenant.

Borderline questions arise as to whether or not the status of riparian proprietorship exists. An example of this is where part of a municipality borders a stream. The question raised is whether the municipality should be regarded in its entirety as an individual entity, having in its corporate capacity the rights and liabilities of a riparian proprietor. While there is no doubt that the city is a riparian proprietor as to such lands as it owns that border the stream, it is sometimes important to decide whether other lands, which do not border the stream but which are part of the city, are also to be considered as a part of the city's riparian land. The usual holding on this question is that the city is in the entirety a riparian owner.

A more difficult question arises when a part of riparian land, a part that does not border the stream, is sold. The question raised is whether this part retains its former character as riparian land. On this

question, there is a conflict of authority among the various states. According to one view, the right to use water in a stream is one which is derived entirely from possession of land abutting the stream, — so that land that does not border upon the stream is necessarily non-riparian. The other view is that riparian rights constitute an interest in (a property right in) land, and when once attached to a piece of land, can be conveyed like any other interest. The former of these views is better and is the one held by most courts.

It is well established that the size and shape of land is irrelevant insofar as deciding the question of whether or not it is riparian. Thus a small frontage abutting the stream is sufficient to make the land riparian. And the quantum of the rights of a riparian proprietor is not measured by the amount of his land bordering the stream, but rather by the *entire* extent of his contiguous land.

The legal nature of a riparian right is, in essence, that of an "easement appurtenant," except that it is a right that naturally inheres in riparian land and does not need to be created by grant or in the other ways in which easements can be created. It is a right that is legally annexed to the land. It cannot be granted to one who is not a riparian proprietor, since it is impossible to sever it from riparian realty. It passes along with the title to the riparian realty (it is "appurtenant" to it). It is in the nature of an easement since it is a right against the land of another — a right to prevent other riparian proprietors from doing certain things with their realty, such as, diverting excessive amounts of water from the stream or polluting the stream. Non-riparian proprietors cannot have riparian rights. For example, the fact that you are permitted by a riparian owner to use water from the stream does not give you any riparian rights. All you can get is a contractual right (not a real property right), which is good only against the party with whom you have con-



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Originally, the "natural rights" doctrine prevailed in riparian law. According to this doctrine, each riparian owner is entitled to have the stream continue to flow through or by his premises in its natural condition of purity, and undiminished in quantity. Under this doctrine, any "perceptible" diminution in quantity or any "perceptible" contamination is a violation of the rights of all riparian owners. This doctrine does not prevent an upper riparian owner from taking water from the stream, provided he does not permanently remove such an amount as to decrease "perceptibly" the quantity of water flowing downstream, and providing he injects no "perceptible" amount of contaminants into the stream. As a practical matter, however, this doctrine is very harsh, particularly where industry or other large users of water are involved, since it gives virtually all rights to the lowest riparian owner at the expense of all upper owners. A violation of this right is, in legal effect, a trespass, and will support a legal action (for nominal damages) even though there has been no actual damage.

The harshness of this doctrine has been mitigated in most states—the newer "reasonable user" doctrine now supplanting the the "natural rights" doctrine. According to the "reasonable user" doctrine, any riparian owner is entitled to make such use of the water as is reasonable in view of the needs of lower riparian owners. It is apparent that this is an extremely flexible doctrine, and one that will usually give very equitable results. The difficulty with this doctrine, however, is in its uncertainty. The uncertainty arises partly because of the difficulty of knowing what is "reasonable" in any given set of circumstances, and also because what is reasonable at one time may become unreasonable at a later time. The difficulty in defining the word "reasonable" is essentially the the same as that encountered in the law of nuisance.

As a general rule, it is no excuse or justification to a defendant that others are also contaminating

the stream, or that the stream was not entirely pure when it reached defendant's property. Nor is it a defense that the pollution was the natural and necessary result of the particular mining or industrial operation, nor that the operations were conducted without negligence and in accordance with the general custom and practice in the vicinity or in the particular industry. The existence or non-existence of negligence is irrelevant, so long as the injury has occurred.

Equitable defenses, such as laches, or "clean hands," are not applicable in determining the existence of an interference with riparian rights, since the action is based on law, and not equity. Thus, it is no excuse that the complaining party did not object to opening of a mine or the building of a plant. Nor is there any public policy in favor of industrial development that would justify for the sake of a factory or mine the destruction of the rights of riparian owners. Thus, there is no balancing of "relative hardships" in determining whether a violation of riparian rights exists, — although there may be in some jurisdictions if what is sought is an injunction instead of damages.

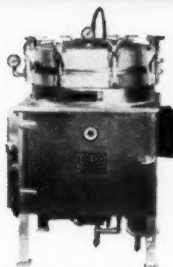
The right to pollute waters can be purchased from a riparian owner, but it is binding only on him and on his land. It is a covenant that affixes to the land of the lower riparian owner, and it cannot be separated from this property. However, this right extends only to the land of the riparian owner who has consented to permit pollution of the stream; it does not extend to other riparian owners who have not made similar agreements. The fact that some riparian owners have made such agreements does not prevent another riparian owner from insisting on his right to an uncontaminated stream. If the pollution is a menace to health, or a public nuisance, the agreement is void as against public policy.

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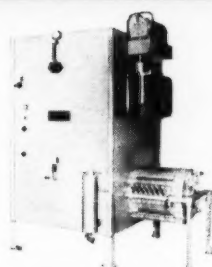
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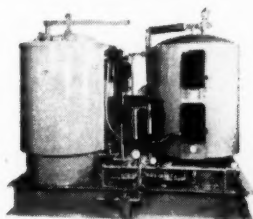
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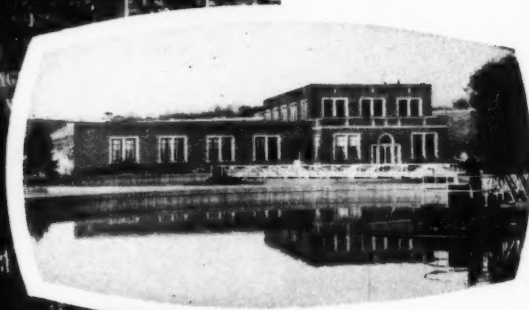
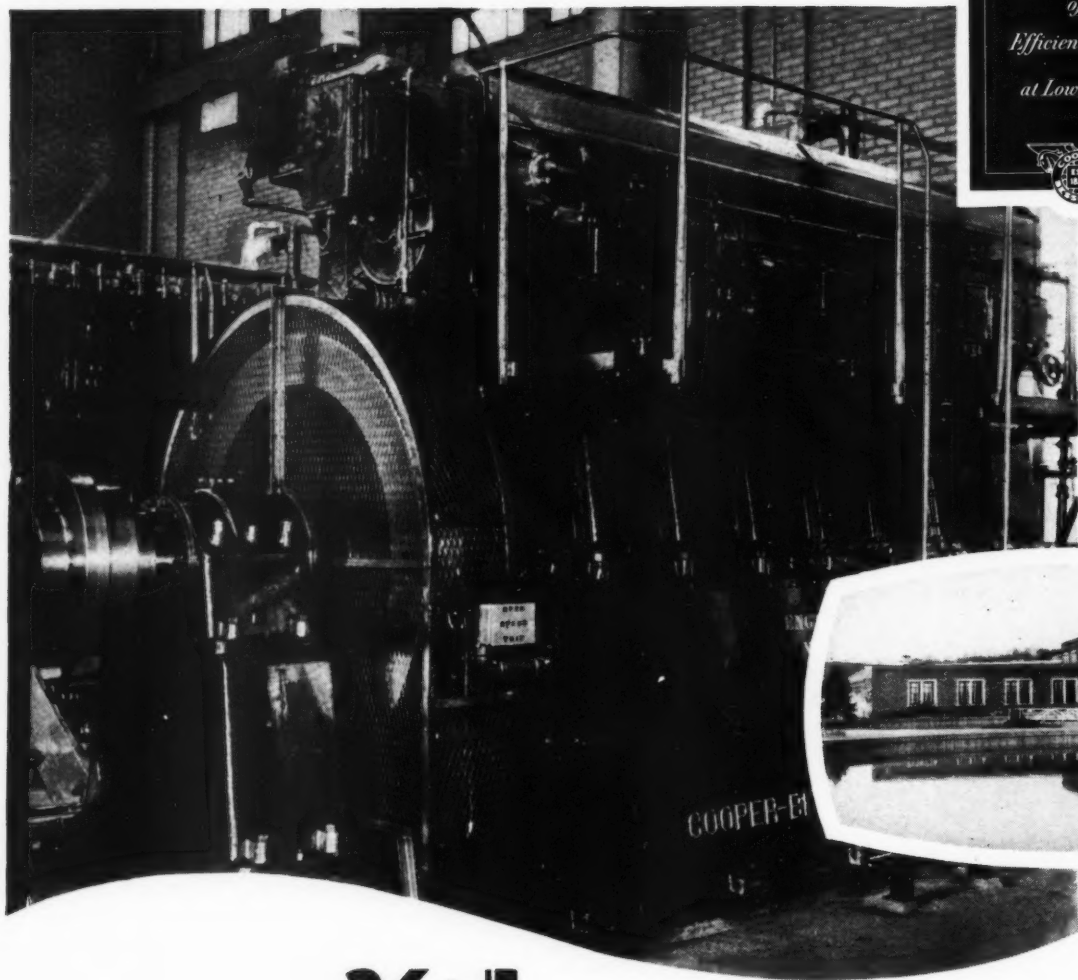
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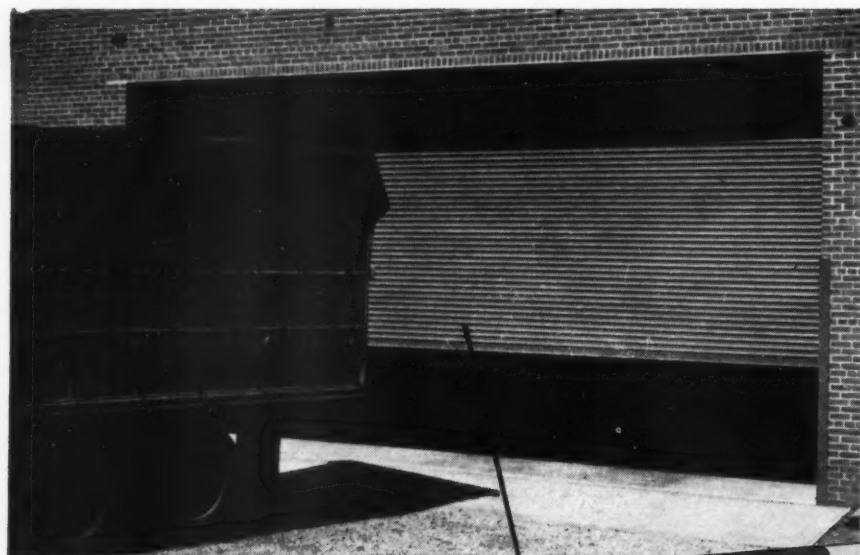
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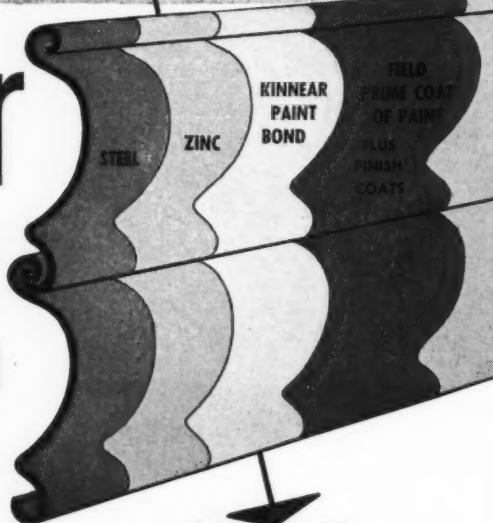
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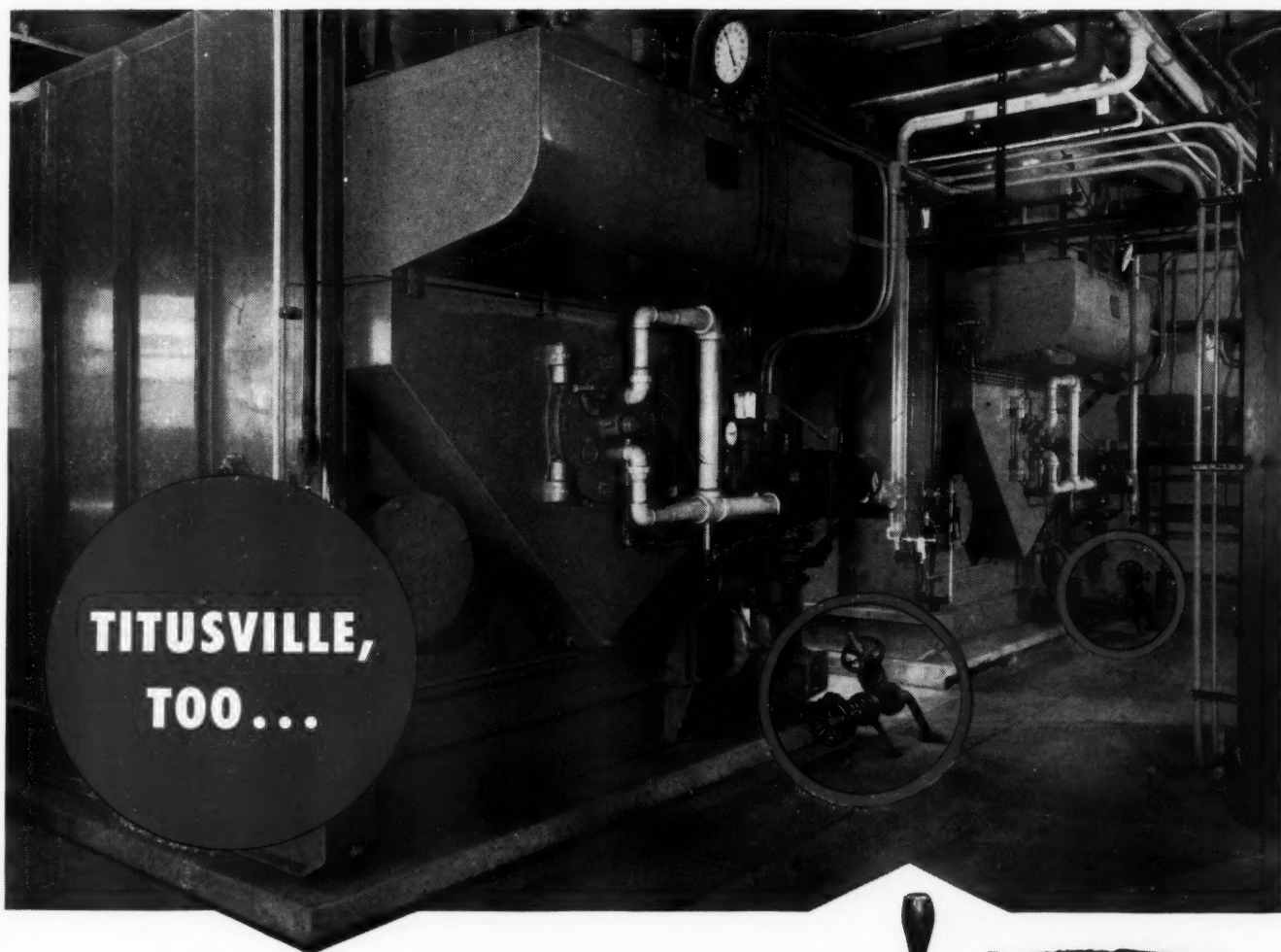
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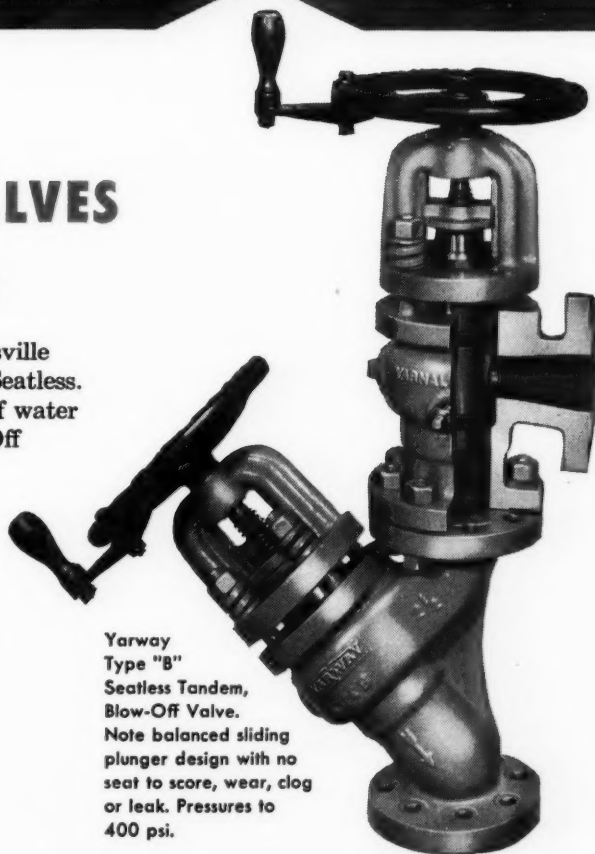
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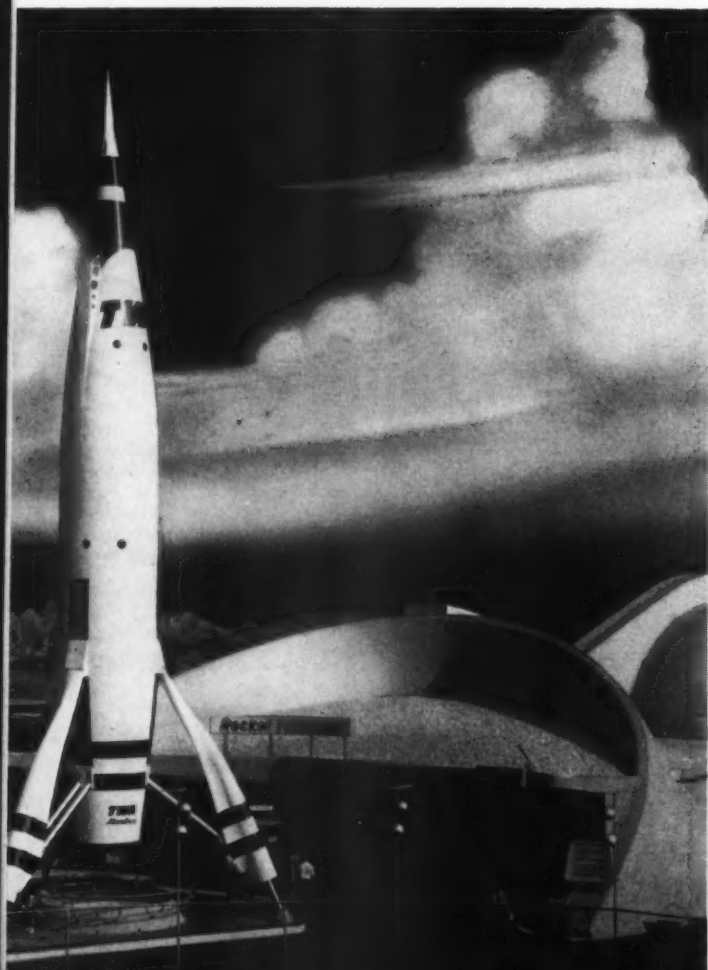
J. S. Hamel is a graduate of the University of Michigan and holder of a Centennial Citation from that institution. His profes-

sional background includes seven years with Robert Moses, noted civic planner, developing recreational facilities, beaches, parks, and parkways on Long Island, plus nearly 20 years of private practice—interrupted only during World War II. Then as a Commander in the Civil Engineering Corps of the U.S. Navy, he saw overseas service in Africa and in the Middle East as well as duty in the United States.

From 1936 to 1947, Mr. Hamel operated a consulting engineering firm in New York City. He engaged in various extensive projects—principally developing beaches and allied facilities along the Atlantic Coast from Providence, R. I. to Delaware—and, in 1937, was consultant to the New York World's Fair in connection with layout of illumination, electrical, and various other facilities. In 1947, Mr. Hamel moved to the West Coast, establishing his practice as consulting engineer in Burbank, California. He and his firm since have engaged in mechanical and electrical engineering work for industrial projects, public works, and schools throughout Southern California, and in February 1954, were appointed consulting engineer for the \$17-million Disneyland project.

A member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, American Society of Electrical Engineers, American Society of Heating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, and the Illuminating Engineering Society, Mr. Hamel holds a number of patents in connection with the development of certain lighting equipment and illumination systems.

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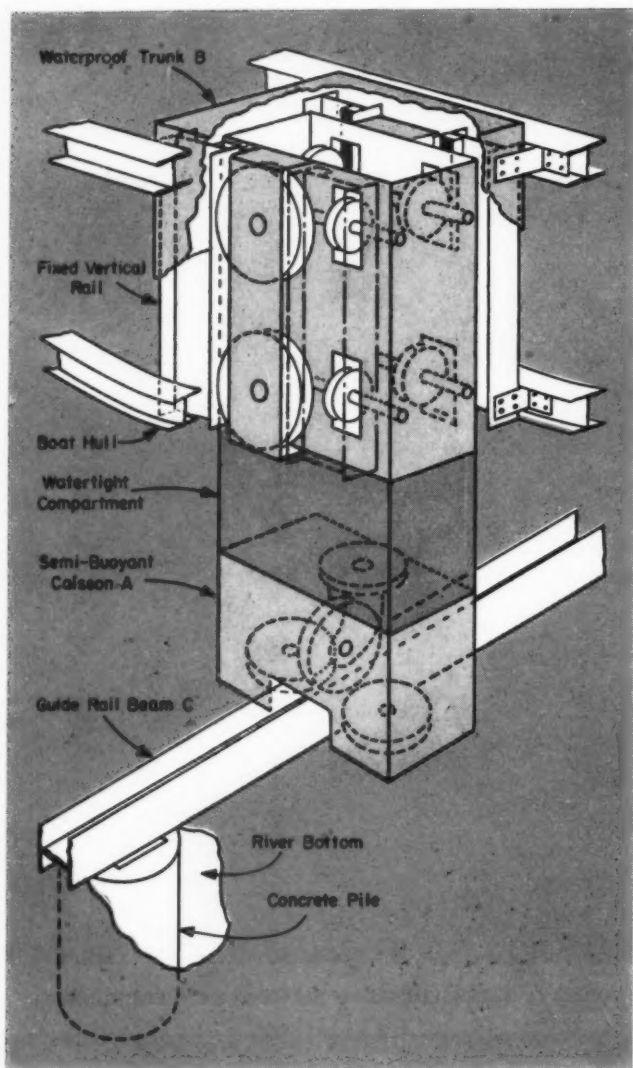
In designing Disneyland nothing was left to chance. As soon as Disney had put his ideas into sketches, the wheels of research began to turn, and the need for technical data began to pyramid. Since a location within the vast metropolitan area of Los Angeles was of prime importance, experts were retained to assist in the selection of the site. Accessibility, topography, environment, and utilities all were investigated before choosing a section of land adjacent to the city of Anaheim. This site is approximately 23 miles southeast of the center of the city of Los Angeles and immediately adjacent to the main Santa Ana freeway route.

By the time the property had been purchased and ground broken, scouting teams were traveling over the United States and Canada to procure authentic equipment. Three cities in the East supplied gas lamps to line Main Street. Some of the cresting and railing in Frontierland came from Nashville and Memphis, Tennessee. Other antique equipment came from New Orleans and from numerous other cities and communities across the nation.

Even the landscaping posed problems as areas representing a range of climate conditions from the northern border of our country to the tropics were to be created within a few hundred feet of each other. Subtropical plantings were procured from various U. S. locations. From Australia and the Pacific Islands came supplies of lush tropical effects for the Adventureland boat rides area.

#### Design and Planning Organization

Fundamentally, all ideas for the project stemmed from Walt Disney and his unique production organization — Walt Disney Productions. However, since W.D.P. primarily is engaged in making pictures, a new design and planning organization known as WED Enterprises was created, with Disney at the



DRAWING SHOWS THE CONSTRUCTION DETAILS OF THE GUIDE MECHANISMS DEVELOPED FOR THE "MARK TWAIN."

head and staffed with the best design, planning, and artistic talent available. It was the task of WED Enterprises to translate Disney's concepts into working drawings for construction.

Disney selected an art director who is a veteran of many years experience in the motion picture industry to head all design work. Five separate design groups were set up under his supervision, each having its own art director and staff of artists and designers. These five art directors were charged individually with the responsibility of preparing construction drawings, coordinating the requirements of concessionaires and exhibitors, and planning public facilities and utilities for their assigned area.

¶ Main Street, covering the Railroad Station and all of the construction up to and including the circular plaza located in the center of the park.

¶ Adventureland, embracing the Adventureland Jungle River boat trip, the Arboretum, and Bazaar.

¶ Frontierland, including the river, a stern-wheeler steamboat—the *Mark Twain*, buildings, and "rides."

¶ Fantasyland, encompassing the castle with moat and drawbridge, restaurants, and a variety of rides.  
¶ Tomorrowland, enveloping exhibit buildings and rides, including a simulated rocket trip to the moon.

A Master Plan was developed by the art director under Disney's personal direction. This task involved coordinating of contouring, railroad planning, and general site development for roads, parking, and walks with other basic facilities. Finally to supply the technical assistance needed in many phases of the project, the firm of William E. Wheeler was engaged for structural design, and we were retained for all other engineering design, with A. A. Dorman in charge of civil engineering for our organization.

In addition to the work of these technical groups, Stanford Research Institute made extensive traffic studies based on the anticipated daily population. Mr. A. K. Morgan, of the Palisades Interstate Park Commission, veteran of many years under Robert Moses, was called in to assist in laying out the required parking facilities in the surrounding area.

#### Project Schedules

Although the working drawings were not started until February 1954, the opening date was set for July 1955—a period of less than 18 months to complete a \$17-million construction project from the beginning of the design phase. Rigid and seemingly impossible schedules were set up for the production of engineering drawings and for the site development. Work also began on a television show, scheduled for international release coincidentally with the projected grand opening of Disneyland.

Despite the tight time schedule, every effort was made to work out the details of the many novel designs accurately. Models of every unusual device and structure were turned out in Disney's studio model shop before final approval of each design. Since little that went to make up Disneyland was ordinary, this called for a large, fast moving, talented group, who came from Walt Disney Productions and the studio shops. Sketches were developed, then 1/4-scale models, and finally full-sized working models.

#### Testing Facilities

A special building was constructed on the Burbank studio lot for testing and studying the many rides and amusement devices. The Peter Pan Ride, consisting of an electrically powered monorail car in the form of a sailboat suspended from a powered "mule" on an overhead track, was built and tested in a section of this building. Here also tests were made on the many trick systems of illumination, using ultraviolet light and luminous paints for the unusual and beautiful scenes created by Disney artists for the three Dark Rides in Fantasyland.

Models of water effects for fountains, railroad coaches for the train, and plastic animals with hydro-electric operating mechanisms were built and tested in the studio shops. A large tank in one of the studio



sound stages, originally built to film parts of "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea," served as an ideal test basin for the various "guided boat" rides and for the crocodiles and hippopotami now found half submerged in the jungle rivers of Disneyland.

#### The "Mark Twain"

From an engineering viewpoint, however, perhaps the most extraordinary tasks were those of designing and building the principal boat rides. In conceiving the *Mark Twain*, Disney's idea was to give the public a chance to ride on an authentic scale reproduction of a steamboat of the type that plied the Ohio and Mississippi rivers in the late '80s. The setting was to be a meandering river simulating a typical scene anywhere from Pittsburgh to New Orleans.

Since the river was destined to be the largest body of water in the park — approximately 9,000,000 gallons capacity — it figured prominently in the drainage studies. The normal water level of the river was set as the low point for storm water runoff, and all other elevations then were calculated so that all drainage from the entire park area flows into the river. If there is any rise in the river water level, the excess flows by gravity to an adjacent off-site gravity storm water drainage system.

During fair weather, the river water is recirculated by a 4000-gpm vertical lift pump, located at the north end of the park. This pump operates 24 hours a day to provide maximum aeration and circulation and to create a flowing stream, meandering through the park. It is shut off during a rain when the stream bed acts as a storm water drain.

Although ample water was available from two, 16-in., 1000-gpm wells on the property, new prob-

lems developed when constructing the river. Coarse, clean sand at the site soaked up water like a sponge, and a limited budget and lack of time for study forced an early decision for a means of waterproofing. Concrete was ruled out as too costly and too artificial in appearance. Tests with Bentonite also were unsatisfactory. Finally, a 12-in. layer of compacted clay proved to be the answer to forming a 100-percent watertight bottom for the river. Now lush landscaping of trees, shrubs, grass, and cattails lines the shore and makes the river look natural.

Extensive research also was required to authentically build and outfit the \$200,000 paddle-wheeling riverboat, the *Mark Twain*. Being the first of its kind to be built in the United States in over 50 years, considerable time went into the study of riverboat design and operating requirements. Because the *Mark Twain*, like many other installations at Disneyland, is on  $\frac{5}{8}$  scale, its horizontal, noncondensing steam engines had to be specially built. Furthermore, since the river, also on  $\frac{5}{8}$  scale, is tortuous, the boat had to be guided by some positive means.

#### Design of the Guide Mechanism

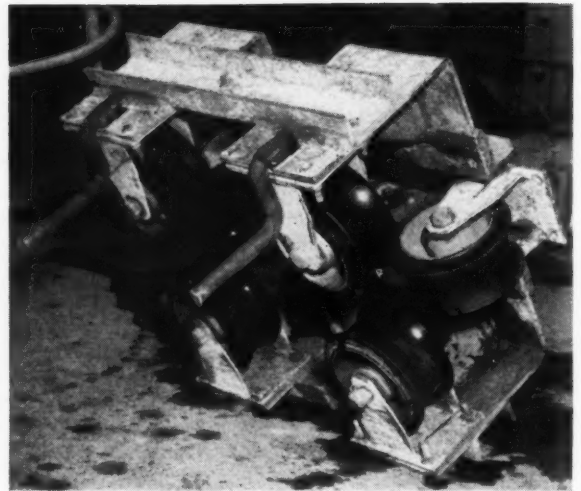
While the design of the vessel itself was progressing, we were assigned the task of developing a means of guiding this 125-ton riverboat on a predetermined course. Calculations of maximum horizontal thrust of the boat were made, taking into account wind effect and centrifugal force based on the boat's travel along a 125-ft radius at a speed of approximately four knots. Then many possible solutions



ABOVE. VIEW OF RIVERBOAT DOCK DURING CONSTRUCTION, SHOWING STEEL GUIDE RAIL FOR "MARK TWAIN."



RIGHT. IDENTICAL VIEW SHOWING COMPLETED DOCK WITH "MARK TWAIN" SET FOR TRIP DOWN THE RIVER.



ABOVE. VIEW SHOWING A GUIDE MECHANISM FOR THE JUNGLE RIVER BOATS IN ADVENTURELAND.

LEFT. VIEW OF JUNGLE RIVER WITH GUIDE RAIL IN PLACE, PRIOR TO POURING OF GUNITE LINING.

were considered from a continuous underwater cable much like those used to pull the cable cars in San Francisco to hydraulic jets operating under water that would steer the boat by reaction.

After extensive study and tests, we designed the guide mechanism assembly shown in the accompanying sketch, and two of these units were built, one for location forward and the other aft. Basically, each unit has a semi-buoyant caisson A, approximately 6-ft long by 2-ft wide by 1-ft deep, that is mounted vertically in a steel waterproof trunk B built into the hull of the boat. The guide mechanism's fiber and neoprene wheels and water lubricated bearings are built into caisson A, and the vertical guide rails are an integral part of waterproof trunk B in the boat hull. A watertight compartment makes caisson A semi-buoyant and facilitates the vertical movement attendant to the displacement of the boat and the water level of the river.

#### Main Guide Rail

Two large horizontal guide wheels at the bottom of each caisson ride against the 6-in. wide flanges of a 25-lb, H-section steel beam C placed with the flanges vertical. A flexible caster, mounted vertically, rides on the web of beam C, with the vertical reaction of the semi-buoyant caisson assuring constant contact between the drive mechanism and the guide rail without causing excessive drag.

In view of its size and the problems encountered involving both time and cost, it was impractical to actually build and test this mechanism before construction of the boat was begun. However, all of our engineering studies indicated the device would perform satisfactorily, so the continuous H-section rolled steel guide rail C was laid out to the exact curvature and alignment desired. Expansion joints

were provided at three points, solely for the purpose of preventing any buckling from solar heating during the period from the completion of the guide rail to the filling of the river with water.

#### Guide Rail Supports

Poured-in-place concrete piles, approximately one foot in diameter and 12-ft deep with adequate reinforcing for the calculated maximum thrust conditions, were used to support the guide rail. Base plates with anchors were set in the tops of these



BACKSTAGE VIEW OF GIRAFFE'S OPERATING MECHANISM.



piles, and the guide rail sections then were welded to each of the base plates. Piles were placed at 12 feet on centers on curves and approximately 24 feet on centers along tangents.

Both the hull of the boat and the guide mechanisms were constructed by Todd Shipyards, at San Pedro, California, and then hauled to Disneyland — a distance of approximately 25 miles — on a flatbed truck trailer. This in itself was quite a task since the boat has a hull about 105 feet in length with a 27 ft 6 in. beam displacing approximately 125 tons. The superstructure of the boat was designed and built at Walt Disney's studio, in Burbank. After the hull was lowered into a dry dock at the site, the superstructure was moved down in sections and erected on the deck of the boat.

Filling of the river started about the first week in June of 1955. The water level rose steadily, and after some leaks, which developed at the bulkheading, were stopped, the river finally was raised to its nominal depth of five feet. This level had been selected after considerable study as being adequate for the *Mark Twain's* draft of approximately 27 inches and also to allow for about a 6-in. rise during extremely heavy rainfall. Then the boat was floated out into position at the main dock, and the guide mechanisms were lowered in the trunks. Divers were employed to see that the mechanisms set properly on the rail.

With both mechanisms in place the time had arrived for the trial run. The new, horizontal, non-condensing steam engines were put into operation, and the large paddle wheel began to turn. As it churned the water the boat inched ahead along the guide rail. There was probably no greater thrill to

those responsible for this device than that which came when the boat started around the first bend, about 100 feet after leaving the dock. The boat rode into the bend without a sound; slowly the bow swung to starboard without so much as a vibration. Except to the trained ear and touch of the engineer there was nothing about the *Mark Twain's* graceful turning to indicate that she was not being piloted around the bend by the conventional rudder. We steamed down the river, and in approximately 30 minutes completed the maiden voyage over the 2760-ft waterway course. Subsequent shakedown cruises proved that the guide mechanism would work under all operating conditions, and the boat is now on a regular 20-minute, round-trip schedule.

#### The Jungle River Ride

Equally effective results also were obtained with the guide mechanisms we designed for the Jungle River Ride, in Adventureland. On this trip, gasoline powered launches, which are authentic reproductions of the jungle river explorer boats of Africa and South America, each carry thirty passengers down 1/3 mile of jungle river and through swamps infested with "wild" animals. Each boat is approximately 30 feet in length, with an 11 ft 6 in. beam and a draft of less than one foot. The hulls are of Fiberglas and other lightweight materials, powered by 20-hp gasoline engines driving 10-in. propellers.

Since this jungle river ride is in a closely confined area — approximately five acres in size with a boat run about 1700-ft long — developing suitable guide mechanisms presented numerous problems. At some places the river is so narrow the clearance between



JUNGLE RIVER BOAT PASSING UNDER WATERFALL. CLIFFS ARE SCULPTURED GUNITE AND COLORED CEMENT PLASTER.



the boat and boulders built into the river bottom is less than three inches. In addition, the guides had to be flexible enough to allow for constant pitching and bobbing of the boat as crowds shift from one side to the other or listing of the boat on sharp bends. Obviously, the use of normal rudders for steering was out of the question.

After considerable study, we designed a second guide system to meet these operating conditions. This system has a guide rail of 2½-in. diameter, standard weight, steel pipe that is supported on ¾-in. diameter, solid steel bars anchored to concrete footings below the surface of the river bottom. It might be noted here that the river bottom is a 2½ to 3-in. membrane of gunite. This assures watertightness and also provides adequate support for the various operating devices and animals installed in the river. The gunite was not brought straight to the surface of the water at the shore line, but instead was turned into the river bank for a short distance and then carried up above the water level to provide a continuous waterproof liner. Tropical plants and shrubbery were planted right down to the water so that there is no evidence of the concrete liner to detract from the natural appearance of this river, yet the solid bottom facilities maintenance of the operating devices.

#### Guide Mechanism Details

Details of the mechanism that guides the jungle river boat on the 2½-in. pipe are shown in the accompanying photograph. Two such guides are used, one located forward and one located in the aft portion of the boat. Each of these guide mechanisms consists of a galvanized steel truck with six neoprene wheels grooved to fit the sides of the pipe. Four of the wheels roll in a horizontal plane, two on each side of the guide rail. The other two wheels sit in a vertical position and roll along the top of the pipe to support the mechanism and to maintain the contact of the horizontal guide wheels. Engagement with the boat is through a hinged tubular steel stem, attached to the top of the mechanism. It is free to move in a tubular steel sleeve anchored securely to the hull. This construction provides an action that is similar to a free floating piston in a cylinder.

With this arrangement, the mechanisms ride on the rail irrespective of the roll of the boat, yet they maintain the required alignment throughout the boat's course. It was important that the boat be unrestricted in its listing, pitching, and bobbing in order to be realistic. Neoprene wheels were used throughout, so that the action of this guide mechanism rolling on the steel pipe would be perfectly silent. Unsuspecting passengers who ride this boat believe that the pilot actually is guiding the boat down the river through all of its many gyrations.

Since the boats are gasoline powered, the necessity of being able to get them off the rail for servicing presented another problem. This was solved by

reducing the rail diameter along the dock to one inch, so that the guide mechanism could be lifted from the rail and latched in the up position. Then the boat can be towed away with the mechanism retracted. When a boat is brought back into position it is set between guides, and the mechanism is lowered onto the rail. As the boat leaves the dock, the rail increases gradually to the 2½-in. diameter. From this point on the boat is securely locked on its guiding rail for the remainder of its journey.

#### Other Trip Features

It also may be of interest to note another function of the guide mechanism. As each boat progresses down the river, a series of small trip levers located adjacent to the guide rail are actuated by its trip bars. This tripping action opens small valves which, in turn, energize electrical contacts located on the shore above water. This puts various animals and devices through their paces, timed with the passing of the boat.

Hippopotami rise in the water, wiggle their ears, roll their eyes, and open their mouths. A giraffe munches on some palm branches. Elephants raise their trunks and trumpet loudly. In passing through villages, natives along the shore bob up from behind logs and peer from around trees, menacing the passengers in the boats with spears, blood-curdling screams, and the beating of tom-toms. Each time the cycle is completed, the trip mechanisms are reset automatically for the next boat.

Other features of the trip include an artificial waterfall, simulating Victoria Falls, surrounded by cliffs of sculptured gunite and colored cement plaster relief. The falls are only 16-ft high, but 3000 gpm of water pour over its brink. On both the outgoing and return trips, the boats pass under the falls, narrowly missing the cascade each time. The effect of rapids also was created by means of high pressure water piping below the river bottom with injectors to create a boiling action and a rushing current. Yet the guide rail permits realistic boat movement without allowing any deviation from the set course.

At night the Adventureland boat ride becomes even more effective. Lights concealed in the shrubbery and beneath the trees add to the mystery of the animals and foliage. In the semidarkness the animals seem even more menacing than during the day. Approximately 10,000 to 12,000 people enjoy this ride during a single day at Disneyland. In the summer months there is a waiting line for the jungle river ride until closing time at 10:00 P. M.

We, as engineers, had a field day contributing toward making Disneyland truly the "Magic Kingdom" of happiness, knowledge, and safety that Walt Disney believed it could be. Here the familiar, the novel, the thrilling, and the beautiful have been fused to create one of the most delightful entertainment parks in the world. ▲ ▲

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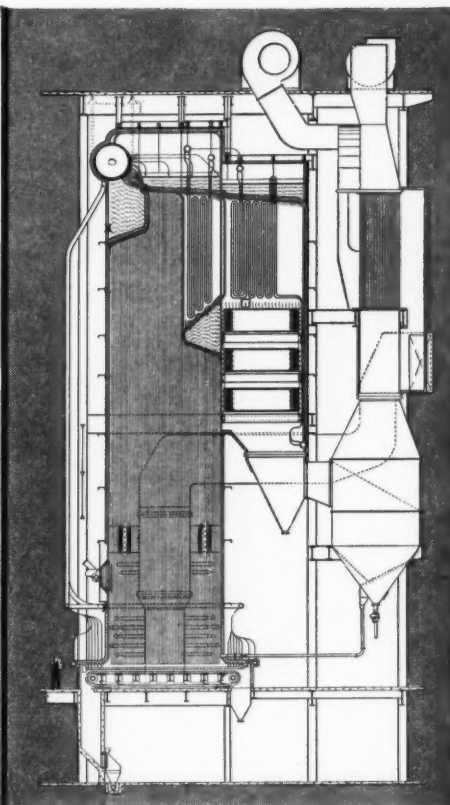
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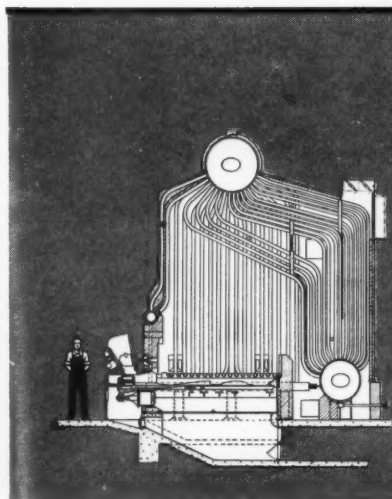
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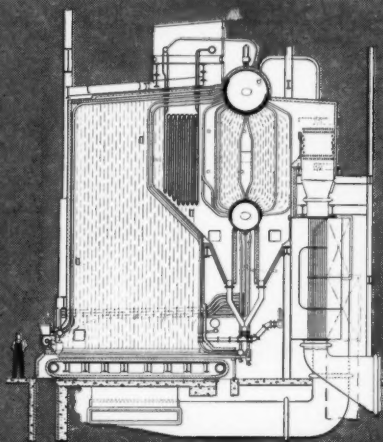
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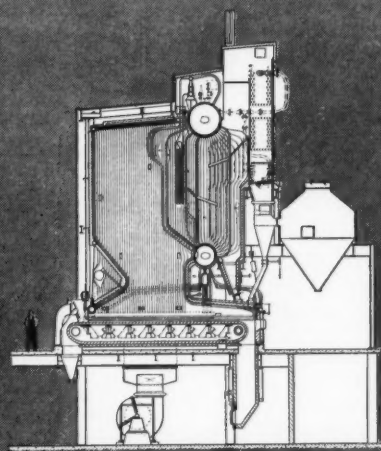
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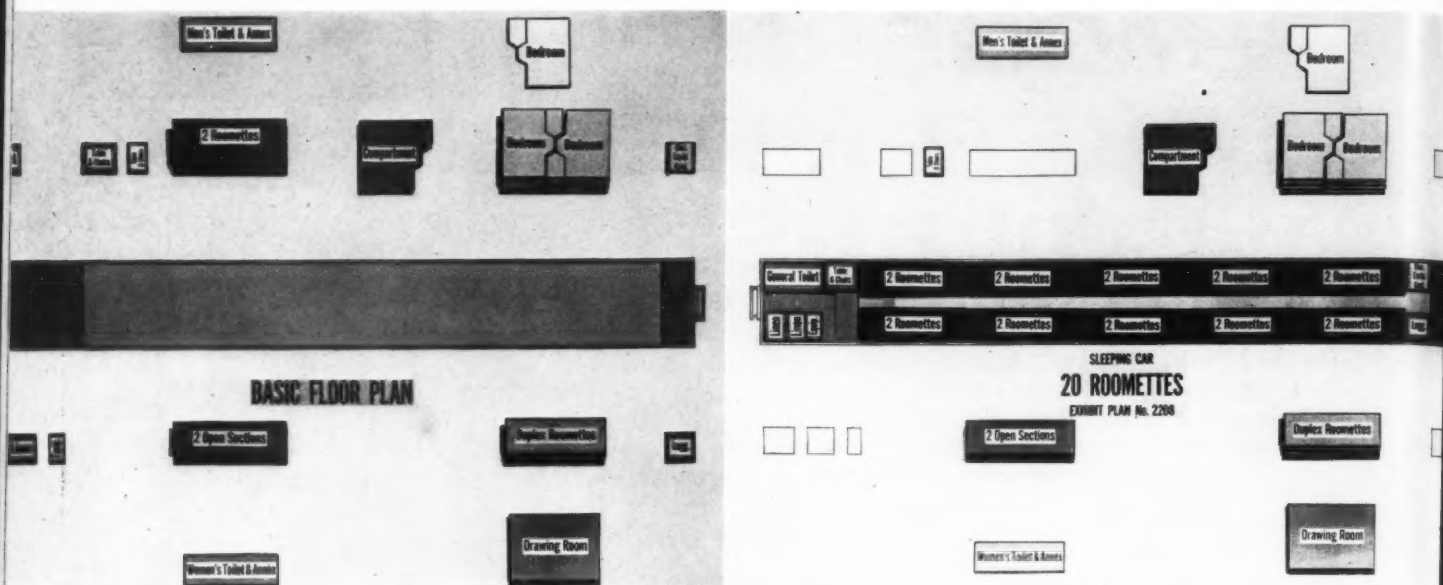
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## Economy Through M

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ONE OF THE DUTIES of the consulting engineer is to act as a cost diagnostician and an investment counselor to his client. In this confidential capacity he must operate much like the doctor or the lawyer. His stewardship consists of installing as much equipment as possible at the lowest practical cost and assisting the client in obtaining an optimum yield on his investment. The consultant's influence on engineering costs and equipment procurement—while not absolute and final—is strong. He spends

his client's money as wisely as possible and prays quietly that his client will continue in robust financial health.

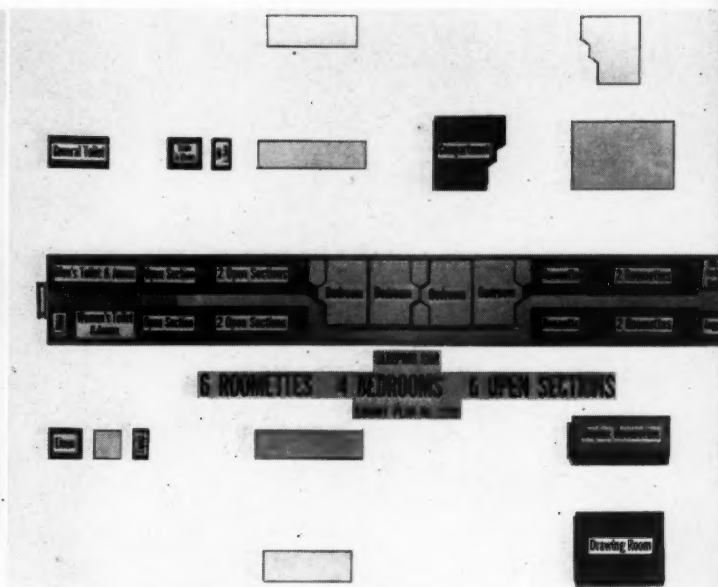
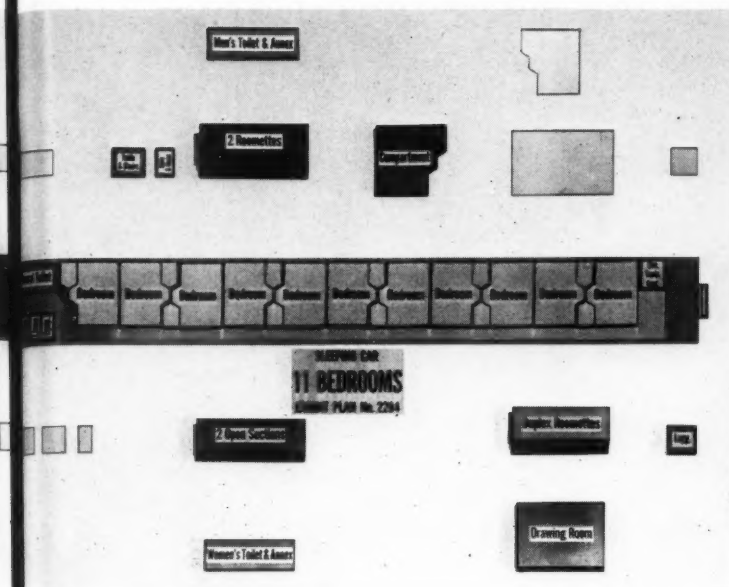
Today we have a relatively stable but competitive economy, and the consulting engineer is being asked to cut costs. Indirect costs, especially, are coming in for scrutiny. These costs include drafting, engineering, and construction supervision. Methods of estimating these costs have been suggested by O'Donnell,<sup>(1)</sup> Lang,<sup>(2)</sup> and others. Definitions of terms also have been covered by these authors.

As the graph shows, these costs can be surprisingly high—as much as 40 percent on a project with a total cost of \$200,000. (see page 53)

The consulting engineer who itemizes his drafting and engineering frequently is criticized because they make up such a large percentage of the cost. However, a manufacturing firm with a good system of cost control would soon find that their own internal costs for engineering and drafting are of the same magnitude. Unfortunately, the manufacturing firm does not always have a good system of accounting and may fail to perceive this important point.

Modules and standards suggest an approach to the problem of cost reduction. The air conditioning engineer, the construction expert, and the power plant





OR THE SAME FLOOR PLAN WILL TAKE 11 BEDROOMS; OR 6 ROOMETTES, 4 BEDROOMS, AND 6 OPEN SECTIONS.

## Modular Design & Standardization

man have devised modules and standards. Other industries also have standardized and profited thereby.<sup>(11)</sup> Modular design and standardization are being used even in the automatic manufacture of electronic equipment.<sup>(14)</sup> In the construction field the elimination of hand cutting and fitting at the site with the help of standards and modules has resulted in large savings. In the industrial field equipment installation, piping, and building construction provide a fertile area for similar cost reduction.

Modular design will reduce costs without impairing quality or impeding new ideas. In the construction field, a module of four inches is selected.<sup>(4)</sup> The architect, engineer, and builder then work with this module in mind. In home building, for example, the various materials such as the gas range, bathtub, and refrigerator are selected with this module as a dimensional guide. Several hundred manufacturers now make items for house construction on modular design principles. Engineering, drafting, and labor costs have been reduced. In time we can expect the use of modular design in industrial equipment, piping, and plant construction.

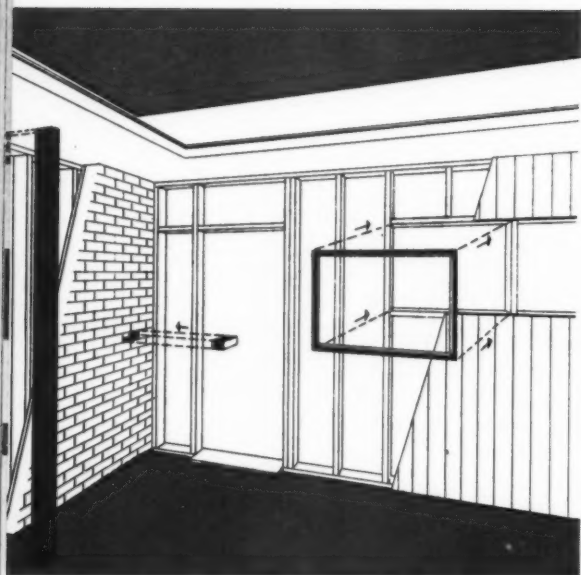
There are other modules such as the "ton of refrigeration" and the "pound of steam per hour." A module need not be a linear dimension. A module

is a "standard or unit for measuring." Competition, engineering efficiency, and modular design have provided a packaged air conditioning unit which is rather easy to buy and install. The package boiler now comes in sizes up to 35,000 pounds per hour ready for installation on the client's foundation.<sup>(3)</sup> Electrical distribution systems also are made on a modular basis.

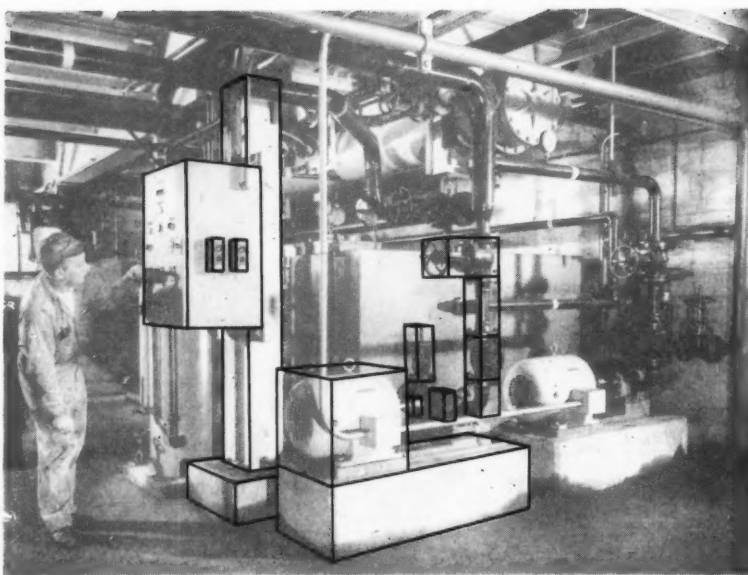
Modules and standards will free the consulting engineer of many of the petty details of his present work and enable him to apply his energy to the larger picture of construction management, operations, and investment analysis and control.

The principle of standardization and interchangeability of parts is not a new concept. Each industry as it grows tries to conserve manpower and materials. Each investor tries to obtain the best yield from his investment. As Melnitsky<sup>(11)</sup> points out, standards are no more than solutions to recurring problems, and such standards will reap profits.

The design and construction of laboratories in the United States was the subject of an article by H. S. Coleman.<sup>(8)</sup> By the use of repetitive space units, often 10 feet long, 26 feet wide, and 10 feet high, plus standard services such as cold and hot water, gas, air conditioning ducts, and drains, the



MATERIALS OF CONSTRUCTION MADE OR CUT TO MODULAR SIZE TO SPEED ASSEMBLY.



ENGINEERING EQUIPMENT DESIGNED TO MODULAR MEASUREMENTS WOULD FREE ENGINEERS TO CONCENTRATE ON ORIGINAL WORK.

way was cleared for a reduction in the indirect costs.

The consulting engineer must keep this principle in mind: With a fixed budget for the erection of a laboratory building (or an industrial plant or office building) a saving in indirect costs by the use of repetitive space units is worthy of investigation.

#### Mechanical Equipment

As an area where the consulting engineer can point the way toward savings, the field of pumping and heat transfer suggests itself. Standards could cover pump design, materials, inspection, and test. Standardization of pumps will mean quicker repair and replacement in the field. Heat exchangers need standardization, also. These items, like pumps, could be purchased off the shelf.<sup>(7)</sup> Engineering and drafting time spent on custom made pumps and heat exchangers may prove an embarrassment to the consulting engineer unable to justify the added expense to his client.

Hundreds of millions of dollars are spent annually on distillation equipment, and the variety of sizes and types of columns and internals is truly astronomical. Often a liberalization of process specifications would enable the fabricator to suggest standard components and bring about savings in engineering, drafting, and fabrication. The consulting engineer should avoid slavish submission to design data that make for one-of-a-kind construction and raise all costs on the project. Considering the overloading of such equipment in actual practice, one usually is amazed at the rigidity of the process specifications.

The consulting engineer, should, of course, point out and explain any savings to the client if standard components can be employed.

Small spray dryers measuring from 10 to 14 feet

in diameter can present unusually high engineering and drafting charges, and the consulting engineer who is new in the field is cautioned against making hasty guarantees of performance and cost. A package unit based on existing engineering calculations and drawings and built in a shop familiar with the unit will be cheaper to build and install. Clients willing to accept these modular features in design can save money. Those who insist on a unique solution to their problems must be prepared to pay the higher costs for the custom-made unit. The consulting engineer must help the client see the wisdom of one solution over another.

#### Drafting Innovations

Some steps that have already been taken to reduce drafting costs are as follows:

Recently the magazine *Heating, Piping, and Air Conditioning* reported the use of photographs to cut costs.<sup>(8)</sup> Drafting, which had run 6 to 7 percent of the job cost, was reduced to 1 to 2 percent. The consulting engineer also will find photographs helpful in discussing a layout with the client and following the progress of work.

The increased use of models in plant construction and maintenance is making the engineer's job easier and eliminates much unnecessary drafting. Some criticism is heard because of the expense involved, but increased use of models is noted in most fields. The model is, of course, useful in training personnel and for advertising and promotional work.

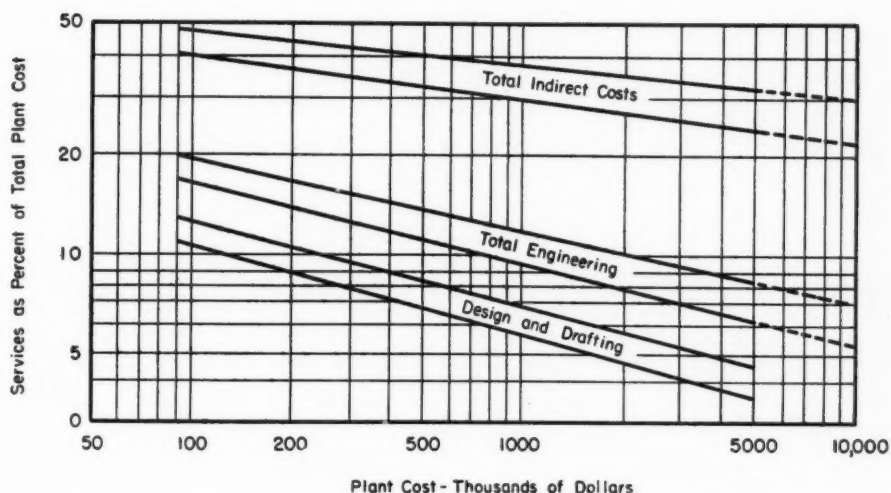
Pilkington<sup>(10)</sup> has estimated that up to 30 percent of the drafting time on a complete plant layout can be saved by using a three dimensional drawing. Procurement and field work is improved, and the

axonometric drawing serves as a flow-sheet and operating guide for new personnel.

A drawing is nothing more than a means of communicating with the client, the vendor, and the field worker. The consulting engineer must seek better means of communication—he must be willing to try out a variety of new ideas.<sup>(9)</sup>

### Terminology

Terms like “modular design” — and “standards” are not too widely used — or understood. Management will not be aware of new advances in the engineering field unless the consulting engineer himself understands these new concepts and relates them to dollar savings. Many cost terms are misunderstood, and many industrial managers are simply certain that



COSTS OF ENGINEERING SERVICES ON INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS. INDIRECT COSTS INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION AS WELL AS OTHER COSTS.<sup>(15)</sup>

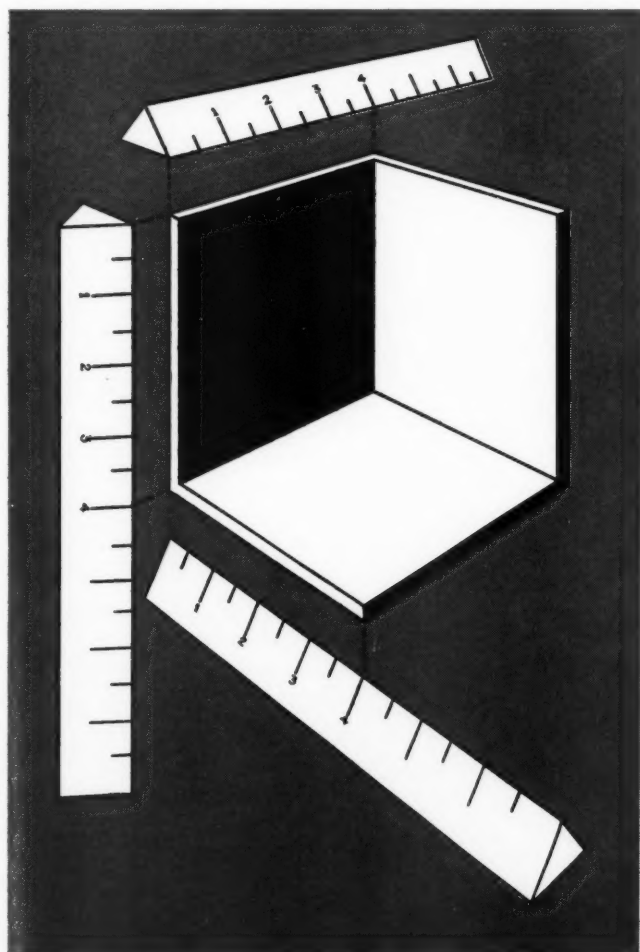
outside engineering (salary, overhead, and profit) is more expensive than the similar internal service. It is the consulting engineer's task to point out that engineering and drafting is a sizable expense whether purchased internally or externally and should be subject to a strict system of audit and accurate cost control.<sup>(1)</sup> and <sup>(12)</sup>

The following benefits may be obtained through a program of modular design and construction.

- ¶ Less repetition of work.
- ¶ Reduced supervision.
- ¶ Fewer arguments and misunderstandings.
- ¶ Faster and cheaper equipment fabrication.
- ¶ The use of standard pipe sizes, tools, gages, and equipment sizes will reduce maintenance costs.
- ¶ New personnel can be trained faster. ▲ ▲

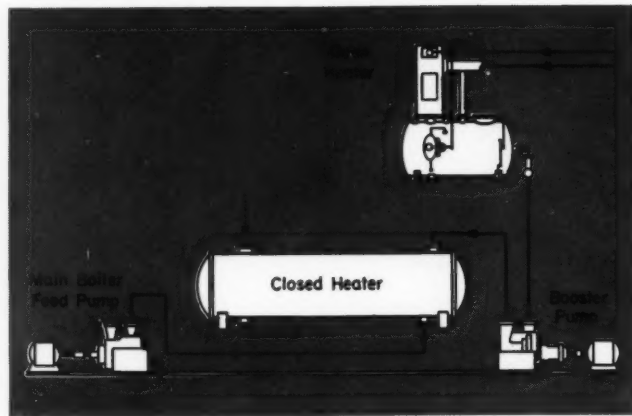
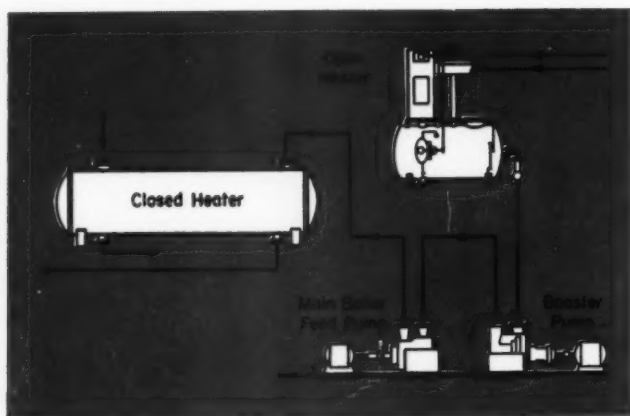
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A MODULE IS A UNIT MEASUREMENT. IT CAN BE ANY NUMBER OF INCHES OR FEET OR OTHER UNITS:





A BOOSTER BOILER FEED PUMP COULD BE LOCATED JUST AHEAD OF THE MAIN BOILER FEED PUMP, OR THE CLOSED HEATER COULD BE PUT BETWEEN. HAVING THE BOOSTER JUST AHEAD OF THE MAIN PUMP IS PREFERRED (LEFT).

## The Booster Boiler Feed Pump Solves Space Problems

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**ENGINEERS** WHO have had contact with steam power plants aboard naval vessels are familiar with the booster boiler feed pump, which takes its suction from a direct contact heater and discharges into the suction of the main feed pump. Space aboard ship is at a premium, and there is seldom the means available to provide sufficient submergence to the boiler feed pump without a booster. However, despite the land based engineer's lack of familiarity with and acceptance of booster feed pumps, steam power plant developments have taken place recently that will force us to re-examine this subject and possibly to alter our opinion of these booster pumps.

### Open Heater Elevation

One of the more vexing problems confronting the designer of a steam power plant is the physical location of the deaerating direct contact heater when an open feedwater cycle is used. Essentially, the problem is to set this heater at such an elevation that sufficient submergence will be available to the boiler feed pump under all operating conditions. Even in the past, when boiler feed pumps were designed for lower capacities, lower pressures, lower temperatures, and frequently lower speeds than today, it

was occasionally difficult to provide sufficient net positive suction head (NPSH), and oversize pumps were sometimes selected to permit handling of the lower suction head required at capacities below the point of best efficiency. Such practice is costly both from the point of view of initial investment and from that of power consumption.

The increased severity of modern service conditions has made this problem more acute and more frequent, because the trend to higher capacities, pressures, temperatures, and speeds unfavorably affects the required NPSH. The effect of higher capacities is obvious. The higher pressures mean more stages, longer shaft spans and, therefore, larger shaft diameters. This reduces the available impeller eye areas and increases the required NPSH. The higher operating temperatures are the result of higher deaerating heater pressures, and this means wider pressure fluctuations in the heater during the transient conditions that follow a severe drop in the main turbine load. These fluctuations demand greater margins over the minimum requirements established for stable operation.

Finally, the trend to higher operating speeds also means higher required NPSH. It should be noted that providing sufficient NPSH to take care of the

transient conditions strictly by increasing submergence is not always practical even at the presently conservative 3600-rpm pump speed level. This is especially true for large outdoor or semioutdoor installations and may be credited as one of the reasons for the growing popularity of closed feedwater cycles.

#### Booster Principle and Advantages

The principle of the booster pump is extremely simple. It is based on the installation, ahead of the main feed pump, of a low speed, low head pump, generally of single stage design, and capable of handling the required capacity with an extremely low net positive suction head. For example, consider a conventional boiler feed pump installation with a capacity of 500,000 lbs per hr at 320 F (sp gr = 0.908) and a net pressure of 1800 psi. Assume that the pump is intended to operate at 3575 rpm. Converting the flow into volume units, the pump will be designed to handle 1100 gpm. If we were to follow the recommendations of the Hydraulic Institute Standards, the pump should be provided with 45.5 ft of NPSH. To this we should add a margin as protection against transient conditions (a margin that will depend upon the design and purpose of the installation) and an additional margin for friction losses in the suction piping. We may find that the level in the direct heater needs be some 60 to 75 feet above the centerline of the pump. Whether that submergence is practical or not depends on the power plant design.

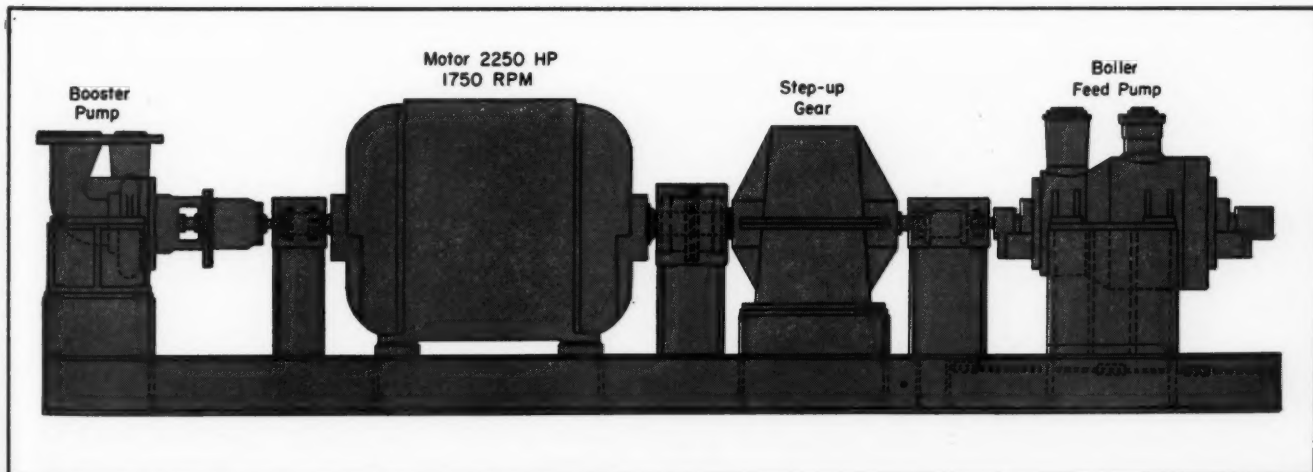
If a booster pump designed to handle the required 1100 gpm with as little as 8 or 10 ft of NPSH were interposed between the heater and the main feed pump, the location of the direct contact heater would be no problem. Thus, not only is it no longer necessary to raise the direct contact heater higher and higher as boiler feed pump NPSH requirements increase, but the heater actually can be located appreciably lower than in the conventional modern plant.

The benefits resulting from this lower location are

many. Because of the reduction in the volume of the suction pipe between the deaerating heater and the entrance to the pump, the residence time in the suction piping will be much reduced. As a result, the allowable pressure decay rate in the heater during transient conditions will be correspondingly increased. This will tend to reduce if not eliminate the bad effects of sudden drops in load at the turbine.

Furthermore, if the selected total head of the booster pump is somewhat in excess of the minimum needed to provide the required NPSH for the main feed pump, the booster pump can be permitted to go into mild cavitation under certain extreme emergency conditions. As a matter of fact the booster pump internal clearances could be made very liberal without jeopardizing the over-all efficiency, and this, coupled with the low net head developed by this pump, would mean that no damage would occur to the booster pump from occasional cavitation. Even if the total head of the booster pump were slightly reduced, it would still provide sufficient suction pressure at the main boiler feed pump so that transient conditions would not affect the ability of that pump to do its job.

Incorporating a booster pump into an open feedwater cycle and lowering the direct contact heater may become the key to the simplification of that cycle. In a normal conventional installation, the closed heaters, located in the discharge of the boiler feed pump, drain by cascading into the direct contact heater. The difference in pressure, which causes the closed heaters to drain, diminishes with the load. At extremely light loads there remains insufficient pressure to effectively drain the high pressure heaters, and a heater drain pump must be provided. These heater drain pumps must keep on running at all loads, and the excess pressure they develop at higher loads generally is throttled off by a float-controlled valve. Not only does this lead to a waste of power, but the heater drain service is actually one of the most severe of the pumping applications in a



A SINGLE MOTOR COULD DRIVE BOTH BOOSTER AND MAIN FEED PUMP IF STEP-UP GEAR WAS INCLUDED.

power plant. This is because of the high temperatures encountered and of the wide fluctuations in suction pressure and temperature.

If the use of a booster pump permits lowering the direct contact heater, it then may become possible to locate the high pressure closed heaters sufficiently above the deaerator to permit draining by gravity at all loads and to eliminate the need of heater drain pumps. Then, the use of booster pumps would not mean the addition of equipment but rather the substitution of one pump for another — and less severe service as an additional advantage.

#### Heater Location

A question arises once the principle of a booster pump is accepted. Why not increase the outlet pressure of the booster pump to the point that some or all of the closed heaters normally located downstream of the boiler feed pump can be moved to the suction side of that pump? This would reduce the cost of these heaters appreciably and would certainly reduce their maintenance.

There are three reasons that make such a rearrangement of the feedwater cycle less desirable than the use of a booster pump developing a nominal head just sufficient to eliminate NPSH problems. First, the basic function of the booster pump in the open feedwater cycle is to provide adequate NPSH to the main feed pump, fulfilling this function with the very minimum NPSH requirements of its own. This means that the booster pump should operate at very low speeds and, preferably, be of single stage design. Both these requirements preclude the generation of much more than 100 to 125 psi. Therefore, designing a booster pump for much higher pressures reduces its effectiveness as a booster pump.

Second, the power consumption of the main feed pump is increased by raising the operating temperature, since the power required to deliver a certain weight of water against a given pressure is inversely proportional to the specific gravity of the feedwater. For instance, a pump handling 450 F water will consume 12 percent more power than at 270 F.

Finally the higher suction pressures and temperatures at the main feed pump affect its stuffing boxes very unfavorably and pressure reducing labyrinths might be needed, with their attendant losses and additional complications. Thus, while the two-pump-in-series arrangement, with closed heaters between the pumps is not impossible, it is less desirable.

#### Booster Pump Drives

It can be assumed that the majority of booster feed pumps will operate at speeds of 1750 rpm and will be driven by direct connected, constant speed motors. If the main feed pump is motor driven and runs at speeds above 3600 rpm, a step-up gear will be used between the pump and the motor. In that event, the simplest and least expensive arrangement

is to use a double-extended shaft, 1750 rpm motor. One end of it will be directly connected to the booster pump and the other to the low speed shaft of the step-up gear. If separate motor drives are used, however, protective means must be incorporated that will prevent starting the main feed pump motor before the booster pump is on the line.

#### Steam Turbine Drive

Present indications are that the steam turbine will return to favor as a drive for large size boiler feed pumps in central steam stations. The use of motor driven booster pumps where there are direct contact heaters in the feedwater cycle will serve the added purpose of permitting the boiler feed pumps to start without motor driven standby equipment. Steam turbines driving the main boiler feed pumps will take their supply from an extraction point on the main turbine at pressures from 450 to 600 psi and temperatures under 750 F. These turbines will be noncondensing, exhausting into the feedwater heater system at about 50 to 100 psi at full load.

With this arrangement, there will be variable inlet steam pressure and temperature as well as a variable exhaust pressure with changes in load on the main unit. There will be a corresponding change in boiler feed pump power requirements and in speed. As the load on the main turbine decreases, the inlet pressure is reduced almost in a direct proportion. Therefore, at some partial station load, the inlet pressure would drop to such a value that it would become insufficient for the feed pump turbine to carry its load. Then, some auxiliary connection will have to be provided from the boiler (either directly or through a pressure reducing valve) to supply steam to the turbine whenever the extraction steam falls below a predetermined minimum.

During the initial start, therefore, the motor driven booster pumps could be used to fill the boiler and to build up boiler pressure. As the boiler pressure increased, the boiler feed pump turbine could start turning, since at the reduced boiler pressure, only reduced heads and speeds would be required by the boiler feed pump. The supply of steam for the feed pump turbine during this start-up period would come either through the pressure reducing valve or through whatever other means are intended for light load operation. Then, when the main turbine is started and the extraction point pressure reaches the minimum required value, normal operating procedure takes over, and the plant goes on the line.

#### Bright Future

It can be seen that with all of the advantages enumerated in favor of the booster feed pump, its future looks bright indeed. This should certainly gladden the hearts of the ex-Navy men who have joined the ranks of steam power plant engineers and who have been sighing for the booster pump. ▲▲



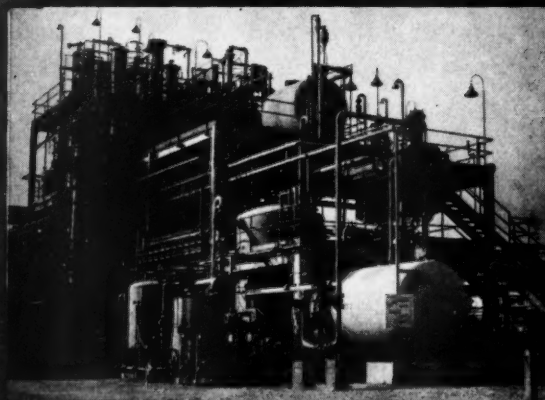
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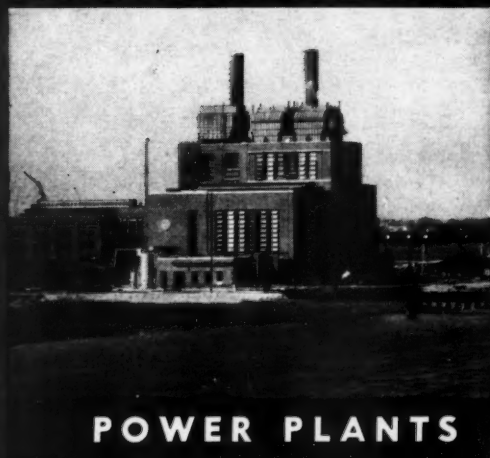
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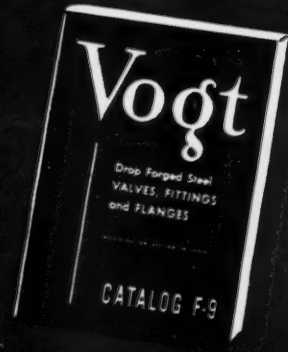


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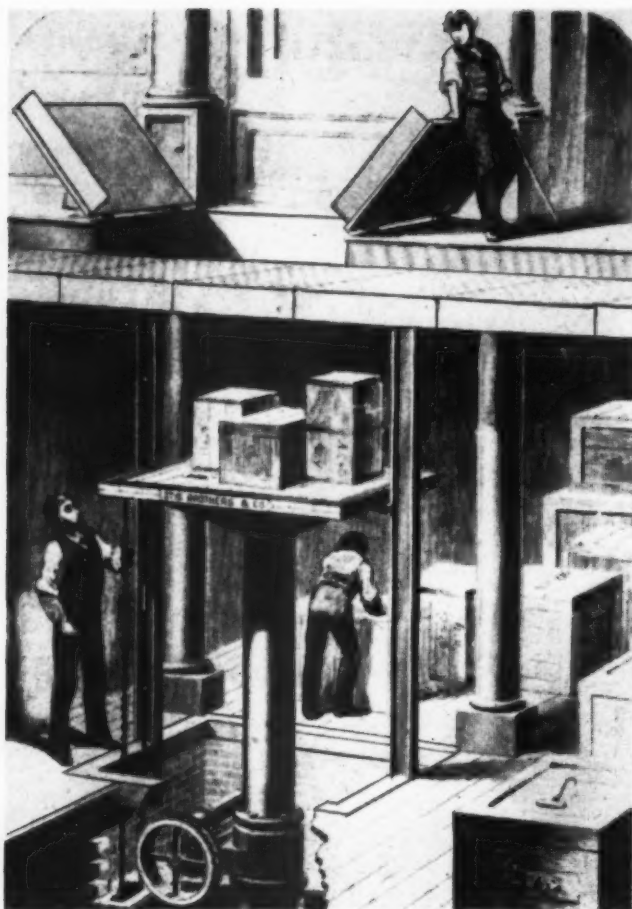
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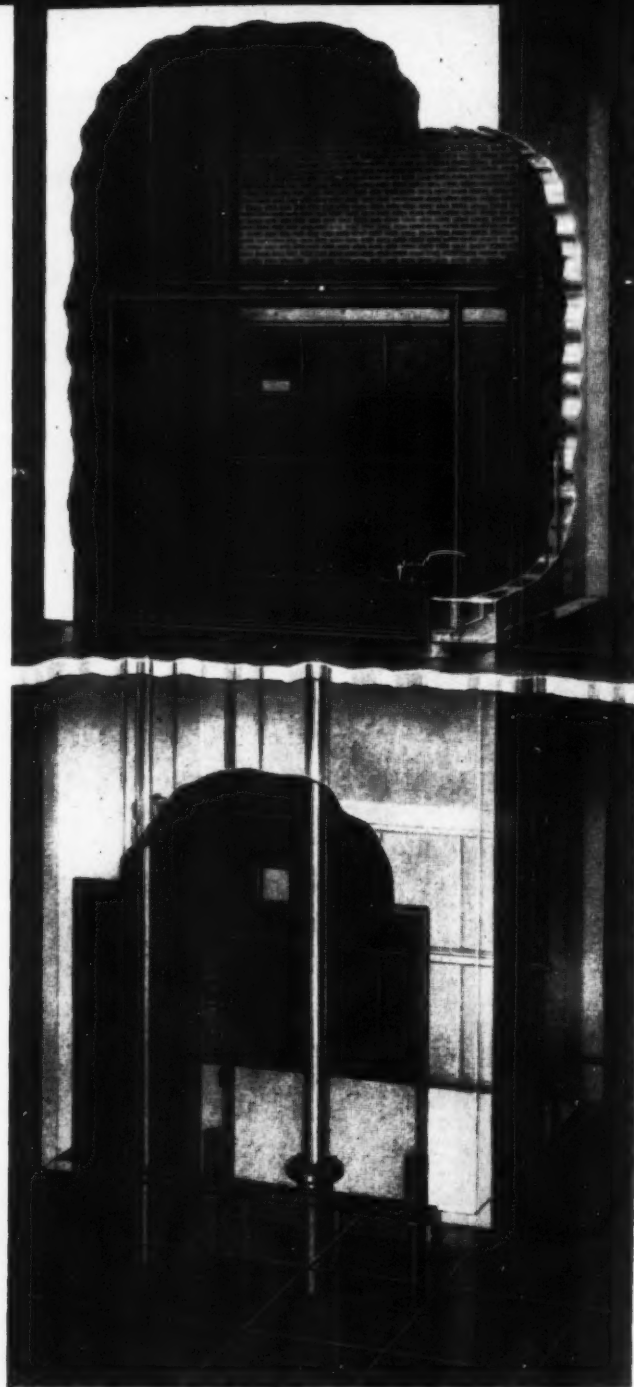
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## Ideas on Selection of Elevator Drives

GUSTAVE B. GUSRAE

IN 1852, Josiah Maise, of Yonkers, New York, needed a hoist for his bedstead factory. His master mechanic, black bearded Elisha Graves Otis, built one. Since then, a unique vertical transportation system has evolved that has transformed the shape of cities, changed the mode of life of many millions of men and women, and provided the initial concepts

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of modern automation. Currently vertical transportation systems, encompassing more than one-quarter million elevators, serve 25-billion passengers yearly in the United States alone.

Although the maximum rate of linear speed is less than 17 miles per hour and passengers seldom travel more than a few hundred feet—sometimes as little as a dozen feet—vertical transportation provides the fantastic total of over 500-million passenger miles annually. This is five times the passenger mileage of the nation's Class A railroads. Few passengers have to wait for service more than 40 seconds, and although the vehicles or carriers are privately owned and operated, not one penny

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of fare is ever collected. In addition, the accident rate is the lowest of all forms of transportation.

In New York City, over 50,000 elevators carry some 15-million passengers more than 100,000 miles through 1300 miles of hoistways every business day. This remarkable yet unobtrusive transportation pattern is repeated throughout the land on a varying scale. Yet the ready availability of vertical transportation is taken so completely for granted—like eating or walking—that few people pause long enough to discover how this Herculean task is accomplished or what *deus ex machina* makes the operation possible. Little thought is given to the many functions involved in vertical transportation or to the several currently employed hoisting methods, which are the end result of an evolutionary chain in the development of elevator mechanisms.

#### Elevator Drives

During the early part of the 19th century various hoisting schemes were considered, but none was good enough to acquire practical application on a wide scale. The picture changed rapidly when the plunger type hydraulic elevator was first introduced, in 1878. It was found to be safe, dependable, and comparatively smooth in operation, and it lent itself to widespread use and development. Many of the original plunger type hoisting drives are still in use today, and some currently are being manufactured for a limited application, primarily service in modern low rise buildings.

With the advent of the electric motor, in 1884, attention was turned to the development of the drum type electric machine. Actually, the drum machine first saw the light when man devised the simple hoist, the capstan, and the winch. Various types were used in monasteries, in palaces, on ships, and in warehouses, and they were first hand operated, then water powered, in turn steam driven, and finally equipped with electric motor drive. Drum type elevator use reached its peak early in the 20th century. Today it is doomed to extinction except for limited application on sidewalk freight elevators and some types of small residence elevators.

By 1904, a new hoisting principle was developed known as traction drive. The first successful installation employing this method, consisting of gearless, double wrap, traction machines, was completed by the Otis Elevator Company in the Majestic Building in Chicago. These machines were still in service in 1950.

The traction drive became an immediate success. It eliminated the cumbersome drum on which the hoisting ropes had to be wound, and it permitted building elevator hoistways as high as desired. Over the past 50 years, the traction drive has become the standard hoisting drive for modern elevators.

At present, the elevator drives generally employed are: the direct plunger machine, the electric drum



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machine, the electric traction machine, and the newly revived screw machine.

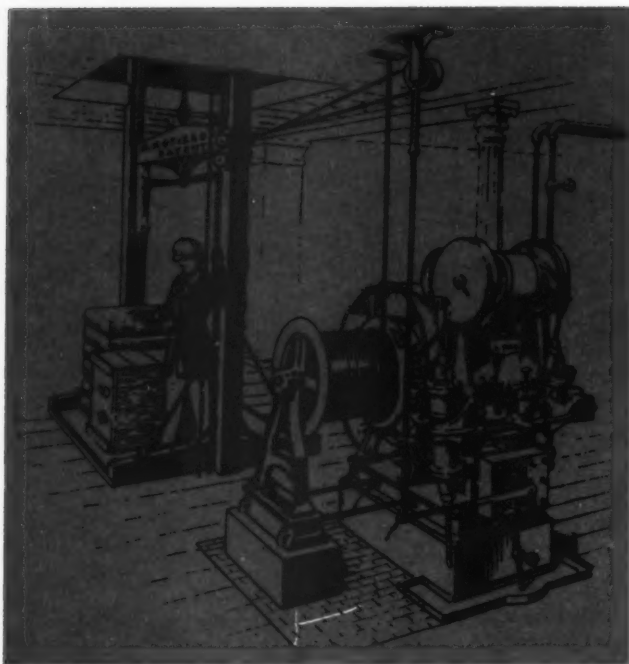
#### Direct Plunger Machines

The heart of the direct plunger type hoisting drive is a long steel cylinder buried in the ground. This cylinder is about 3 feet longer than the total rise of the elevator. Air, water, or oil is forced into the cylinder under pressure so as to act upon the underside of a tight fitting plunger, which is free to move in the cylinder in an upward direction. The elevator car is mounted on top of the plunger.

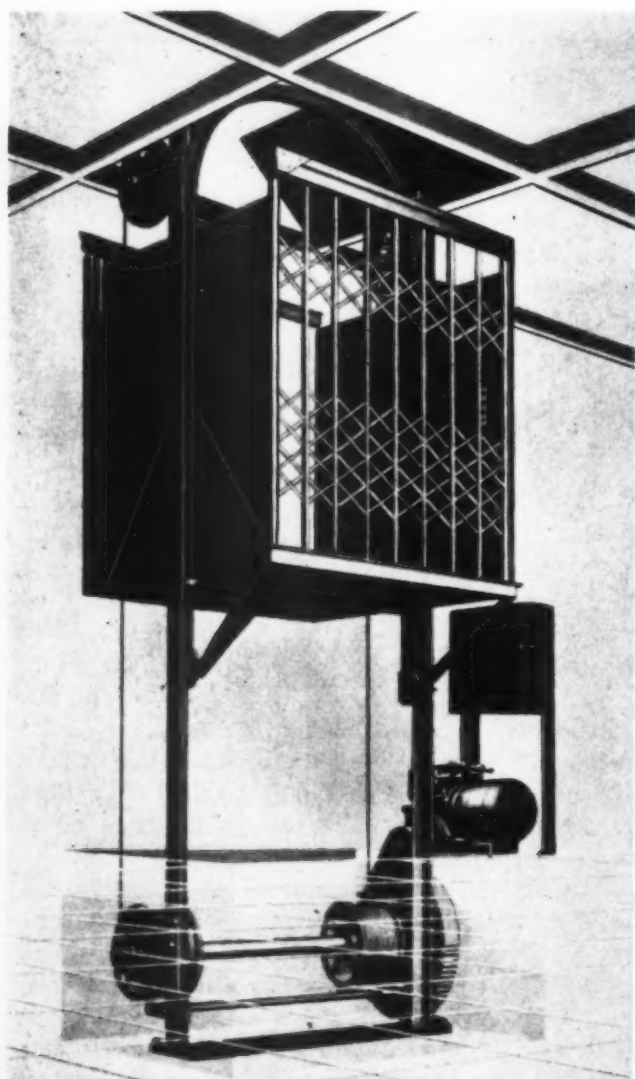
A motor driven pump and tank assembly applies pressure to the air, water, or oil and forces the driving medium into the buried cylinder to raise the elevator until it reaches the desired landing. The descent of the elevator is accomplished by opening electrically a valve at the cylinder so that the combined weight of the car, the load, and the plunger can force the medium from the cylinder back into the tank. When air is used as the driving medium, the machine generally is called *airdraulic*; when water is used—*hydraulic*; and when oil is used—*oildraulic*.

Direct plunger machines are used mainly for handling freight and occasionally for passenger service. Total elevator rise generally is in the range up to 30 feet, although higher rises sometimes are used. Common upward speeds are in the range of 30 to 50 feet per minute for typical service conditions. A very successful application of the plunger type machine is for very short rise freight elevators





DRUM MACHINE WITH OTIS HOISTING ENGINE (1862).



MODERN SIDEWALK ELEVATOR WITH DRUM TYPE DRIVE.

at loading platforms where the load needs to be lifted a distance of 3 to 5 feet at a speed of about 5 feet per minute.

Principal drawbacks to the plunger drive are: the normal problems associated with the operation and maintenance of pumps or compressors; the possibility of leakage of the actuating medium; and the necessity of sinking a shaft in the ground under the hoistway equal in height to the rise of the elevator. In large cities with their networks of underground pipes, cables, passages, and subways, frequently it is impossible to sink the required shaft.

#### Electric Drum Machines

Drum type machines consist of an electric motor which, through gearing, drives a steel drum, about 3 feet in diameter and about 4 feet long with "U" shaped peripheral grooves on the drum face. One end of each of the hoisting ropes (there are usually two ropes) is fastened to the drum periphery. The car hangs at the other end of the hoisting ropes. As the drum is rotated by the motor, the hoisting ropes wind on the drum periphery, and the elevator is lifted. When the drum rotates in the opposite direction, the hoisting ropes unwind, and the elevator descends. This type of hoisting drive permitted the use of higher elevator rises at higher speeds—up to 350 feet per minute.

Practical limitations of the physical length of the drum dealt the deathblow to the drum type machine, since the rise of the elevator is restricted to the length of the hoisting ropes that can be wound on the drum. In addition, this type of machine carries the germ of inherent danger in the possibility of the elevator failing to stop at the uppermost landing. Then the revolving drum would attempt to wind the car on its periphery.

Many drum type installations are still in use today in buildings up to 16 stories in height. As the machines wear out, they are being replaced by traction type drives. The manufacture of new drum type machines, except for sidewalk and small residence elevators, has been discontinued.

#### Electric Traction Machines

Traction type machines overcame the disadvantages inherent in the other types of elevator drives. With this system, the hoisting ropes are slung over a grooved sheave. The elevator car is suspended at one end of the ropes and a counterweight at the other. The frictional forces, developed through the contact between the ropes and the sheave groove walls, hold the system in equilibrium. Motion of the car and counterweight is obtained by a driving motor rotating the sheave in one direction to raise the car and in the opposite to lower it. As the car travels upwards, the counterweight moves downward and vice versa.

With the traction drive, a failure of the elevator

to stop at the uppermost landing will cause the counterweight to rest on its buffer at the bottom of the hoistway. The car then will cease to rise even though the driving sheave continues to revolve, because there will no longer be traction between the hoisting ropes and the driving sheave.

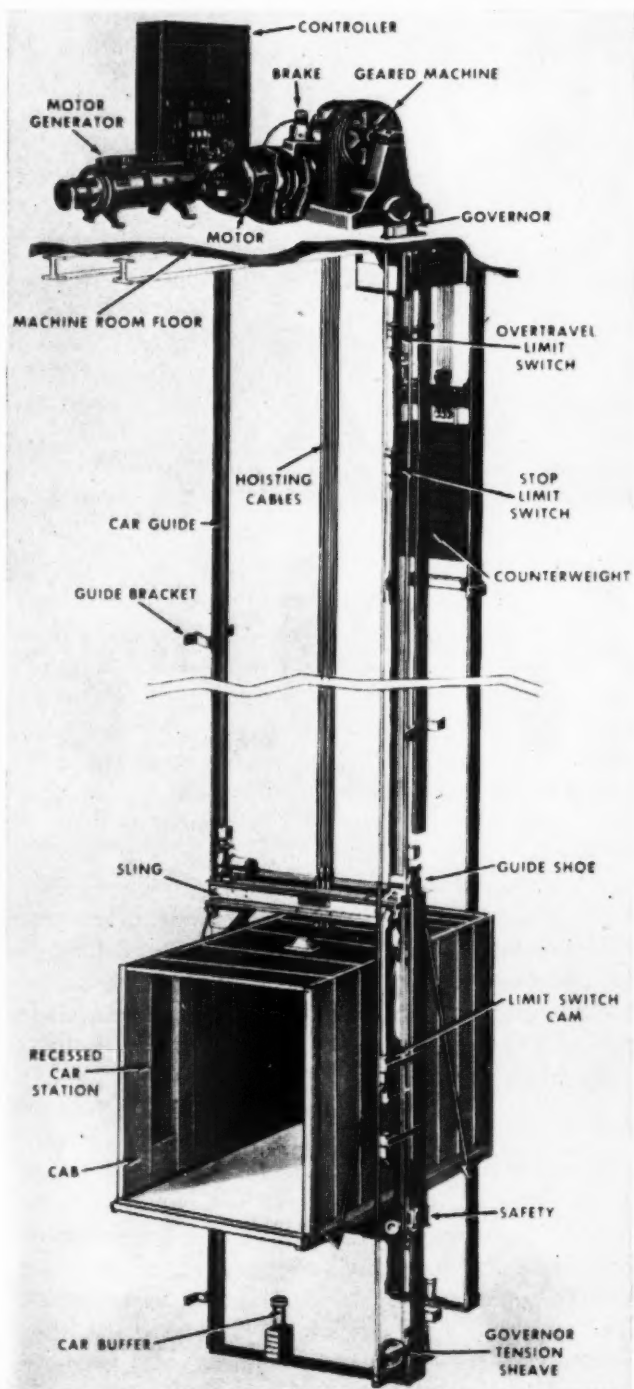
Traction drive installations are quieter and smoother in operation than any other type of drive. The rope pull is centered, and most important, the traction drive is easily adapted to operating any rise elevator at any speed. Traction drive elevators have been constructed for rises of 1000 feet and speeds

of 1500 feet per minute. In view of these advantages, the traction type elevator is used in preference to other types whenever possible.

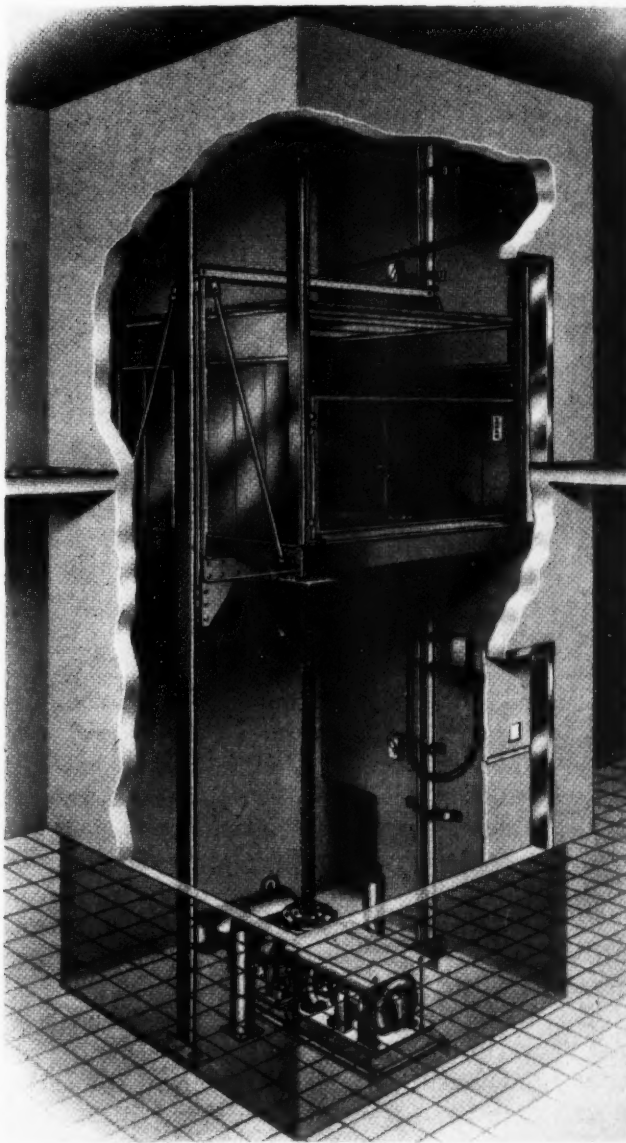
#### Screw Lift Machines

Recently, the screw lift drive has been revived. This mechanism operates in the same manner as the plunger machine, except that the moving plunger and the driving fluid are replaced by a nonrotating steel screw column. The car is fastened to the top of the screw column, which is raised by a rotating bronze lifting nut located at the bottom of the hoistway. The nut is rotated by a geared driving motor. Since the screw column descends into an oil filled cylinder under the hoistway, screw lift machines must have a shaft in the ground similar to that required for the plunger type elevators.

The screw lift elevator, by the nature of its construction, is designed primarily for slow speed, low rise service in the range of 20 feet. ▲▲



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# Notes on Waterproofing Buildings

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**CE exclusive** CONSULTING ENGINEERS ARE still faced with the old problem of leaks in buildings. There are even some new problems resulting from the increased use of prefabricated and precast walls. On the other hand, new sealing materials and new design techniques offer solutions if correctly applied.

## Drainage of Basements

If ground water level is not safely below the lowest basement, drainage may be taken care of with a gravity flow. Generally this is accomplished with a system of footing drains or sub floor drains, or a combination of both. Where footing drains (Fig. 1) are used, they must be placed below the level of the floor of the basement so that water cannot rise to the floor level and flood the base-

ment. But they should not be placed below the lowest point of the footings, for then the flow of the drainage water could erode the soil below the footings and eventually undermine them. In some instances it may be necessary to lower the footings to avoid this condition.

## Waterproofing Basements

Where the normal water level is below the floor of the basement but occasional high water is to be expected, the basement's walls can be waterproofed to a height above the high water level. A reinforced concrete mat or raft can be designed to resist the head expected. It is possible to omit special waterproofing if the construction joints are properly caulked, and a little seepage can be taken care of with floor gutters leading to sub drains.



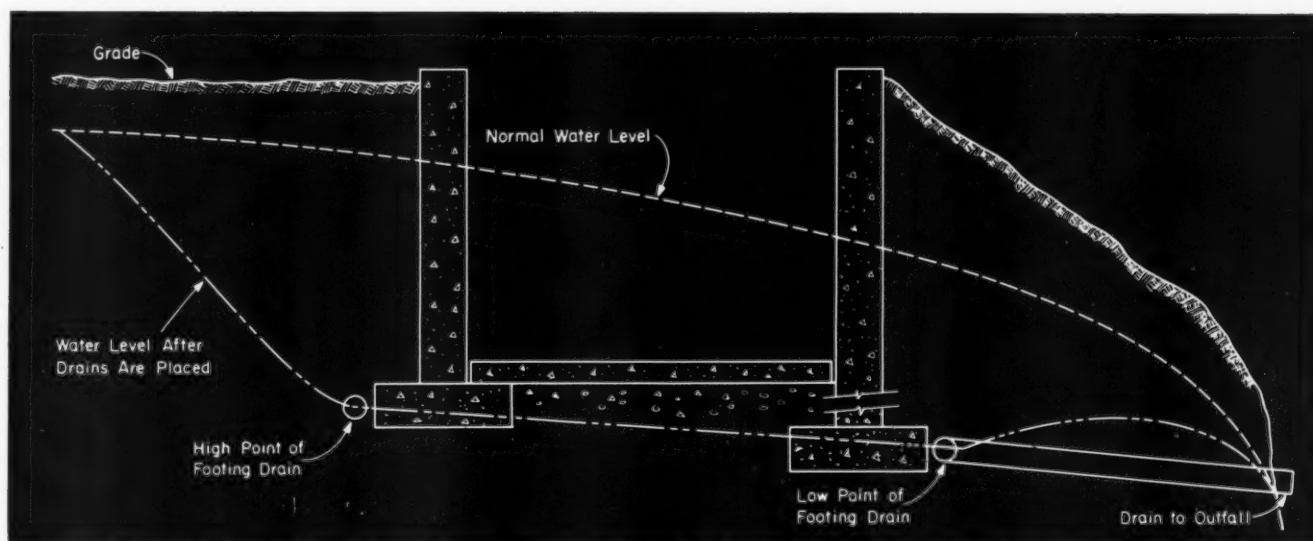


FIG. 1—FOOTING DRAINS SHOULD BE BELOW BASEMENT FLOOR LEVEL BUT ABOVE LOWEST POINT OF FOOTINGS.

If caulking of the joints between floor slabs or walls is not good enough, other methods are available. The hydrolithic method consists of the application of several coats of Ironite or similar waterproof plaster to the inside surfaces of the floors and walls. Fig. 2 shows how this plaster is applied and how the reinforcing is placed in the concrete to withstand the upward pressure.

#### Membrane in Basements

It is also possible to use membrane waterproofing in basements, and this is installed as shown in Fig. 3. This design has disadvantages in that any leaks that develop are inaccessible and hard to locate because the membrane is outside the walls and under the floors. It is necessary with this type of waterproofing to provide an outside or secondary wall and floor to receive the membrane.

Generally, the hydrolithic method is preferred.

#### Paved Areas

Membrane waterproofing can be used with success for waterproofing structures wherever the flow of water is downward. It is suited, for example to sidewalk vault ceilings. The membrane is placed between the main supporting slab and the finished

surface. The principal danger is in the possibility of leakage through the finished surface material, permitting the membrane to collect the moisture. Then, if this moisture freezes, the protective slab may heave and break, and the membrane may be destroyed by the movement of the heaving slab.

To avoid this, drains should be installed at the membrane level, and gravel or porous fill placed on top of the membrane before placing the finish surface. Fig. 4 shows how ice can break slabs and membranes when water is trapped, and Fig. 5 shows the wrong and the right way to place floor drains. Note that there is a further danger in poor design in that ice can damage and displace a parapet.

Properly designed applications of membrane waterproofing do a good job. All leakage through the concrete slab will be stopped. This is more than a convenience, it is an important protection, for leakage through concrete will corrode steel or mesh reinforcing. The dangers are shown in Fig. 6.

#### Vapor Seals

In the past few years consulting engineers have been paying more attention to the need for vapor seals to prevent warm, humid air from condensing on cold surfaces. If there are two adjoining air spaces separated by a partition, and the humidity is high in one and low in the other, the humidities will try to equalize themselves unless the partition is waterproofed or vapor sealed. This applies to rooms on a top story and the air above the roof.

Fig. 7 shows the right and the wrong way to vapor seal a roof. If the vapor seal is correctly placed below the insulation, the warm, moist air in the room will come in contact with a warm vapor seal protected from the outside air by the insulation. Then there will be no condensation. If the vapor seal is placed next to the roofing and outside the insulation, it will be cold, and moist air in the insula-

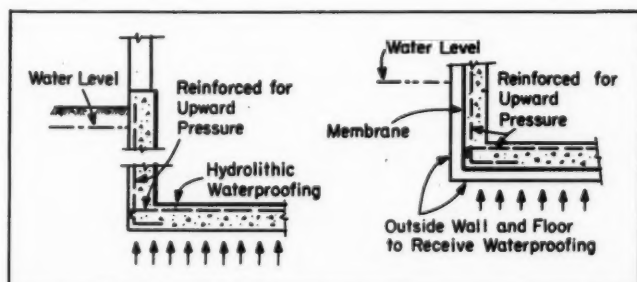


FIG. 2—USE OF HYDROLITHIC WATERPROOFING.  
FIG. 3—USE OF MEMBRANE TYPE OF MATERIAL.

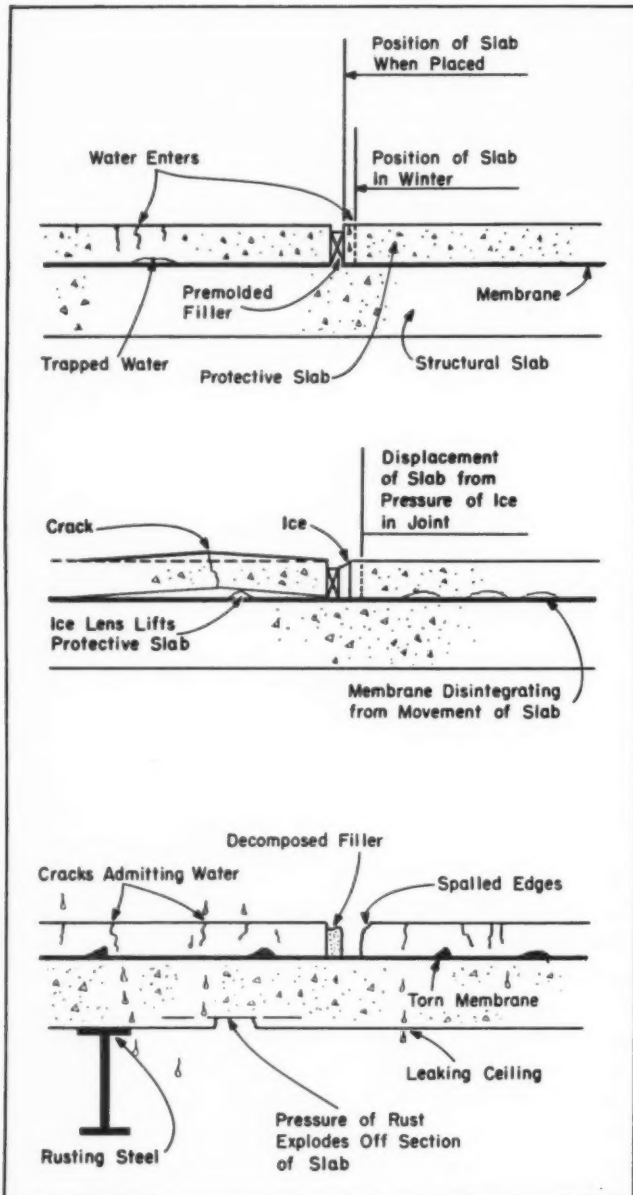


FIG. 4—WHEN MEMBRANE WATERPROOFING IS USED ON PAVED DECKS, IT SHOULD BE PLACED BETWEEN SUPPORTING SLAB AND FINISHED SURFACE. DRAINS MUST BE INSTALLED TO AVOID ICE DAMAGE.

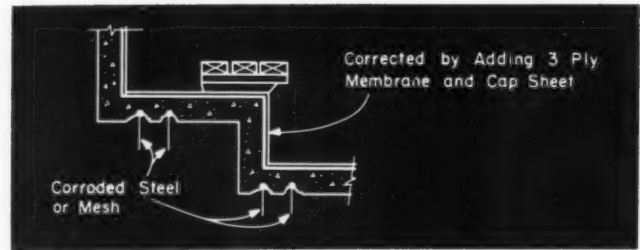


FIG. 6—LEAKAGE CORRODES REINFORCING STEEL.

tion will condense on contact. This moisture will destroy the insulation and the ceiling.

### Waterproofing Walls

The answer to waterproofing walls lies in good design, workmanship, and materials. Here are several suggestions:

- ¶ Be sure bricks are laid with full beds and without voids. This requires thorough workmanship.
- ¶ Use lime cement mortar (1-1-6.)
- ¶ Use a porous face brick that will give a good bond.
- ¶ Have the back of face brick parged with mortar.
- ¶ Install continuous spandrel flashing (Fig. 8.)
- ¶ Specify an independent furring.
- ¶ Coat the back of the wall with hot asphalt emulsion applied with either a spray or a trowel.
- ¶ Include drips on all overhanging edges.
- ¶ Design sills to project beyond the jambs rather than to end flush with them.
- ¶ Have face pointed with weathered or concave joints.
- ¶ Design lintel flashings to turn up at ends.
- ¶ Build preformed bituminous waterproofing units into the wall.
- ¶ After the wall is built it is wise, where possible, to pretest the construction by hosing water between the furring and the wall.

It is frequently difficult to correct a leaky wall. Driving rains can come through walls even if flashings are correctly inserted. Efforts have been

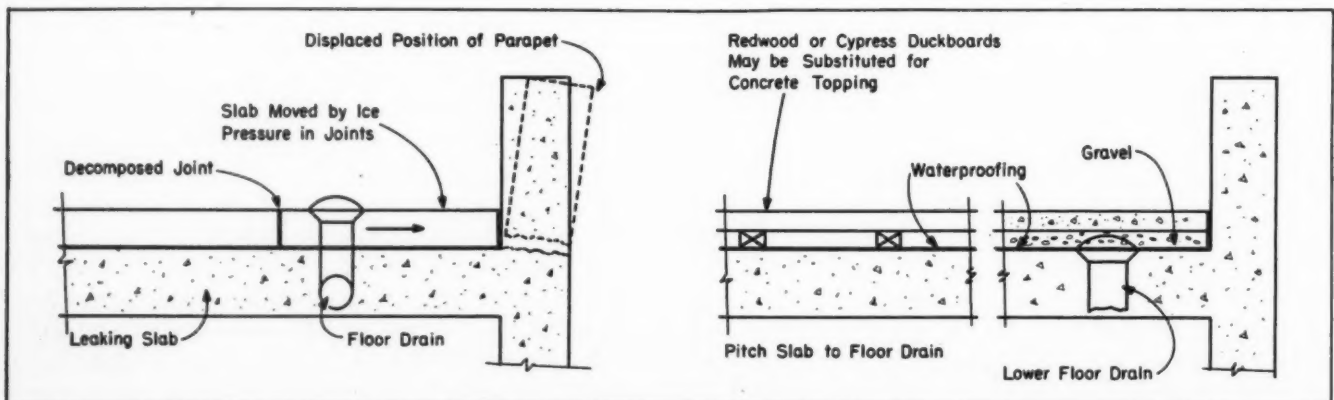


FIG. 5—THE WRONG (LEFT) AND THE RIGHT WAY TO INSTALL FLOOR DRAINS IN CONCRETE STRUCTURAL SLABS.

made to correct such leaky walls by waterproofing them with paraffin or colorless silicone coatings, but permanent success is doubtful.

Perhaps the most difficult type of leak to control is one where the water comes down the inside face of the wall and reaches the floor to spread out and stain the ceiling or the wall below. Frequently, attempts are made to control this condition with a spandrel flashing, but this is not often successful. If there are no weep holes in the wall to permit the water to drain, and if there is no continuous metal furring to act as a gutter, the problem is difficult.

### Waterproofing Parapet Walls

Fig. 9 shows how a parapet wall can be properly designed. Note that a through-wall cap flashing is used to seal off the water and lead it down from the upper part of the parapet. Do not use a bituminous coating. It will seal the water in, and when it freezes, the brick will shale off. It is also a good idea to use face brick or a hard burned brick on the rear of parapet walls.

It is particularly important to anchor the parapet to the main wall with dowels or masonry offsets to prevent creeping. Corners are the most vital points.

### Prefabricated Metal Walls

Since prefabricated walls are relatively new and many new organizations have started to produce them, it is best to select manufacturers and erectors who are experienced. In specifying the walls, in-

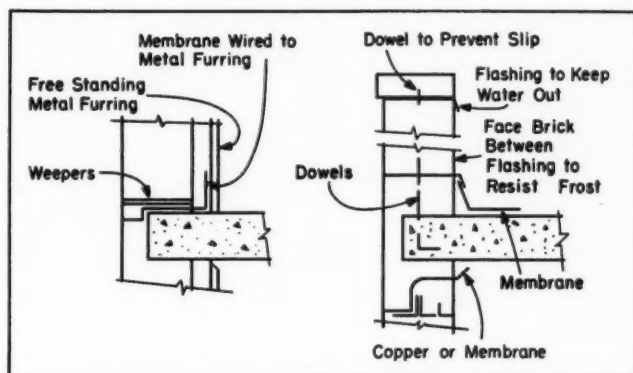


FIG. 8—USE OF CONTINUOUS SPANDREL FLASHING.

FIG. 9—WATERPROOF DESIGN OF A PARAPET WALL.

vestigate the product to be sure the design has the following characteristics:

- ¶ Is waterproof.
- ¶ Can withstand wind pressure without buckling.
- ¶ Has provisions for expansion.
- ¶ Is provided with some means to drain condensate.
- ¶ Does not include dissimilar metals so placed as to encourage electrolytic corrosion.

In the erection of the walls, it is usually wise to use a mastic filler at the folded or lapped seams. Generally these metal walls are backed with a masonry wall and have insulation in between.

### Precast Masonry Units

There are several problems in connection with precast masonry units. Be sure that exposed concrete is waterproofed with integral waterproofing, otherwise the surface will be spotted after a rain.

Horizontal joints can be tongue-and-grooved in such a way as to throw out water coming down the surface. Vertical joints are more of a problem. Currently, most designers depend on mastic or cement to caulk the joints, but there is considerable shrinkage and temperature expansion and contraction. While manufacturers make strong claims, there do not seem to be any permanent synthetic elastic cements available.

One suggested solution is the use of live or foam rubber in vertical joints as shown in Fig. 10. This should make a satisfactory seal.

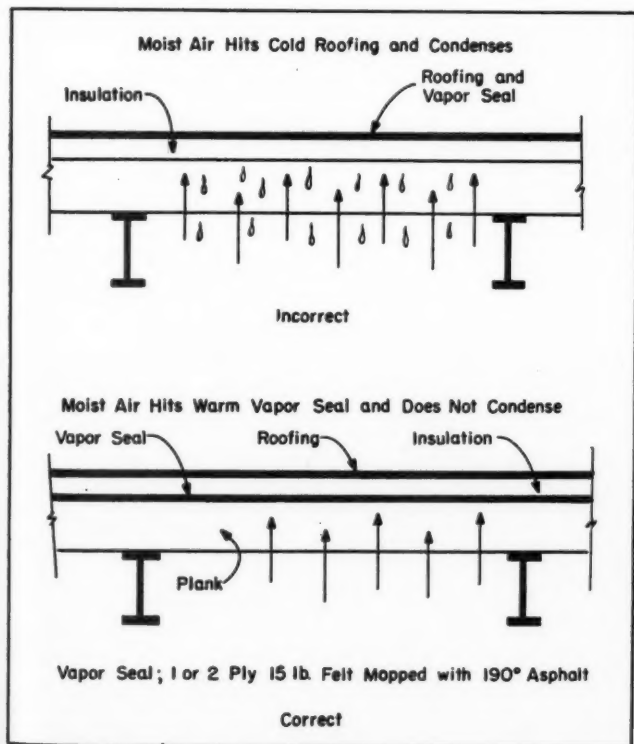


FIG. 7—VAPOR SEAL SHOULD BE INSIDE INSULATION OR CONDENSATION WILL DESTROY THE CEILING.

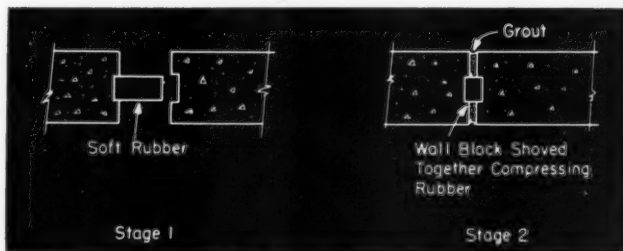


FIG. 10—SUGGESTED METHOD FOR WATERPROOFING A VERTICAL JOINT IN A PRECAST MASONRY WALL.



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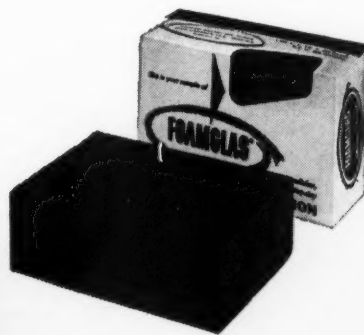
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# Improved Filing System for Catalogs

**cp exclusive** EVERY CONSULTING ENGINEER is a regular user of manufacturers' catalogs, bulletins, and descriptive literature. In fact it is next to impossible to undertake the design and specification of equipment for even the simplest project without reference to some manufacturer's catalog. However, these catalogs are by no means ideal reference material. Every manufacturer has a different idea as to how his publications should be bound, and what the proper size should be, and what material should be included. These publications are hard to file, hard to classify, and, consequently, hard to locate when needed.

Probably the best filing system so far devised for filing manufacturers' catalogs is the American Institute of Architects Standard Filing System, a system widely used in consulting engineers' offices. AIA has published a booklet (\$2.00 a copy) describing this system and giving code numbers for all materials and equipment commonly specified by architects or consulting engineers. The system is quite simple. AIA has selected Major Division numbers that conform to those usually included in a com-

## 34. POWER PLANT.

- 34-A. General Design and Engineering Data.
- 34-B. Boiler Room Equipment.
  - 34-B-1. Boilers and Accessories. (Including Condensate Return Units.)
  - 34-B-11. Steam Purifiers.
  - 34-B-12. Water Columns.
  - 34-B-13. Strainers.
  - 34-B-14. Gauges.
  - 34-B-15. Boiler and Piping Conditioning Compounds.
  - 34-B-2. Condensers.
  - 34-B-3. Economizers.
  - 34-B-4. Super-Heaters and Mechanical Draft.
  - 34-B-5. Grates
  - 34-B-6. Stokers (For Heating, see 30-G-3.)
  - 34-B-7. Tube Cleaners and Separators. (Including Blower and Vacuum.)
  - 34-B-8. Fuel Oil and Powdered Coal Equipment. (For Fuel, see 30-G.)
- 34-C. Coal and Ash Handling. (For Ash Collection and Removal for Heating, see 30-i. For Ash Hoist, see 30-i-1.)
  - 34-C-1. Conveyors.

FIG. 1—A SECTION SELECTED FROM THE AIA STANDARD FILING SYSTEM MANUAL SHOWING HOW POWER EQUIPMENT IS CLASSIFIED AND SUBDIVIDED.

## STANDARDS AND CODES.

(General) .....	40-B
<b>STEAM</b>	
Conduit Systems .....	30-C-6
Engines .....	34-H-1
Flow Control Valves .....	34-E-1
Heating Systems (General) .....	30-C
Pressure Regulators .....	34-G-3
Purifiers .....	34-B-11
Water Heaters .....	29-D-2
<b>STEEL, Ornamental</b> .....	15-H
Porcelain Enameled .....	15-H-2
Stainless .....	15-H-1
Structural Metals (Major Division) .....	13
<b>STEEL PIPE AND FITTINGS</b> .....	29-B-3
Welding Pipe .....	29-B-31
<b>STENCILING AND GESSO:</b> (Decorative Painting) .....	25-D-2
<b>STERILIZERS, Water</b> .....	29-D-33
<b>STILL AND MOTION PICTURE EQUIPMENT</b> .....	35-A-2
<b>STOCK AND TOOL STORAGE</b> .....	35-i-15
<b>STOKERS</b>	
Heating Boilers .....	30-G-3
Power Plant .....	34-B-6
<b>STONE AND SLATE ROOFING</b> .....	12-D
Graduated .....	12-D
<b>STONE WORK. (Major Division)</b> .....	8
Artificial .....	8-C
Carving and Sculptural Work .....	8-D-1
Clamps and Anchors .....	8-E-1
Cleaning .....	8-E-3

FIG. 2—AIA MANUAL ALSO HAS AN ALPHABETICAL CROSS-INDEX, A PORTION OF WHICH IS SHOWN.


prehensive construction and mechanical equipment specification. (see example at left).

Under these Major Divisions, there are subdivisions designated by capital letters. Under the Major Division "34—Power Plant," there are eleven subdivisions, such as: "34-A—General Design and Engineering Data," "34-C—Coal and Ash Handling," on through "34-J—Dams and Water Power." These subdivisions are further subdivided to give a code number to specific materials or equipment.

The AIA Standard Filing System Classifications and File Numbers are remarkably complete as printed, but it would be a simple matter to add numbers to cover every item specified by a consulting engineer or even to add Major Divisions beyond the 41, if desirable.

In using this system, every bulletin or catalog received in the office is given a File Number found in the AIA Filing System Manual. Then, the bulletins are filed in the order of this File Number. This would put all bulletins dealing with the same type of product together: all catalogs on boilers in one place, all catalogs on electrical equipment in another, and all





Eighteen pages of details, pointed toward school construction, show use of Fenestra building panels, roof deck, windows, and doors. Details are general in nature, offered primarily as background for the designer, and stress the structural-acoustical building panel and roof deck products as used in one-story buildings. **Detroit Steel Products Co.**

FIG. 3—THESE 4X6 MANUFACTURERS' INDEX CARDS ARE TO BE FILED ALPHABETICALLY BY MANUFACTURERS NAME THEY WOULD SUPPLY THESE CARDS.

structural metals in another—with each of the divisions subdivided as far as is necessary.

This sounds as though it would work well, and it is an excellent system—so far as it goes. Drawbacks are fairly obvious. Unless a complete record is kept, a person looking for all the piping catalogs, for example, would have no way of knowing if one or more had been removed from the file. An even more serious difficulty is brought about by the fact that many manufacturers include in one catalog several different types of products that they manufacture. In order to file properly, either there would have to be duplicate catalogs filed for each type of equipment, or cross-reference cards would have to be put in each classification to tell where the single copy of the catalog was filed. Furthermore, no matter how excellent an indexing method, some items of equipment refuse to be indexed concisely, and this means frequent reference to the AIA Standard Filing System Manual to ascertain all possible divisions under which the catalog could be filed. Following this an actual physical search would have to be made of all likely divisions in the catalog file.

It also has been noted by many engineers that the concept of filing by product groupings, while theoretically ideal, is not as convenient in practice as having bulletins filed alphabetically by name of manufacturer. When working on familiar projects, the engineer usually knows which manufacturer's equipment he wants to specify, and he could find the catalog easiest by going to an alphabetical rather than a number code file.

### NYACE Committee Work

A committee of the New York Association of Consulting Engineers has been studying this matter of catalog filing for some time. They have come up with an answer that promises to provide the consulting engineer office, large or small, with a filing system to fit its needs.

The NYACE Committee came to the conclusion

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FIG. 4—PRODUCT INDEX CARDS ARE FILLED OUT IN ENGINEER'S OFFICE. THEY ARE FILED ALPHABETICALLY OR ARE FILED ACCORDING TO AIA NUMBER.

## A. POWER PLANT

24-0. General Section and Engineering Data	24-7. Pumps
24-1. Boiler Room Equipment	24-8. Regulators
24-2. Coal and Ash Handling	24-9. Superheated Steam Equipment
24-3. Power Piping	24-1. Miscellaneous
24-4. Valves and Operators	24-2. Steam and Water Piping

FIG. 5—WHEN PRODUCT CARDS ARE FILED BY AIA NUMBER, MAJOR DIVISION SEPARATOR CARDS ARE USED. THEY LIST MAJOR DIVISION SUB DIVISIONS.

that the basic AIA System is excellent, but it needs the addition of cross-indexing cards to make it ideal for consulting engineers. Two sets of 4x6 indexing cards would be required. One set would make up the Manufacturers' Index (Fig. 3) with one card for each catalog in the files. The manufacturer's name would be at the top of each card, and below his name would be a short description of the catalog, giving a list of all products in the catalog with their AIA number. These index cards would be filed alphabetically by manufacturers' names.

The second set of indexing cards (Fig. 4) would be a Product Index, in which the product name and AIA number would appear at the top of the card followed by a listing of all manufacturers who make that product and who have catalogs in the file. These cards could be filed by AIA numbers or alphabetically, depending upon which of two systems was selected for filing the catalogs, themselves.

If the consulting engineer preferred to continue to file catalogs by AIA number, the 4x6 Manufacturers'

Cards would be filed alphabetically by company name, while the Product Cards would be filed alphabetically by product name. (There is an alphabetical index published in the AIA Standard Filing System Manual. (See Fig. 2) and this would be the basis for setting up the alphabetical Product Card Index.) Using this system, the engineer who wanted to know what catalogs he had from a particular manufacturer would go to the Manufacturers' Index Cards and look up the manufacturer's name. Here, he would find a card for each catalog in his file from the manufacturer and a short description of the material in the catalog would appear on the card. The AIA number under which each catalog was filed would be shown on the card, and the catalog could be located by number.

If the engineer were interested in a particular product, feed water regulators, for example, he would go to the Product Index, and look alphabetically for "Feed Water Regulators." He would find on that card the names of the manufacturers of feed water regulators whose catalogs he had available in his file, and he would also find listed the AIA number (34-G-2 in this instance) so that he could locate the catalogs without trouble. The use of this system would eliminate the necessity of going to the AIA Manual to locate the File Number, and would show at a glance the catalogs on the subject in the file. If he preferred, the engineer could take the names of the manufacturers from the Product Index and look them up in the Manufacturers' Index, finding there a brief description of each catalog. Here he could select just those catalogs dealing with the particular type of product in which he was interested.

#### Catalogs Filed Alphabetically

A second and perhaps better system would be to file the catalogs by manufacturers' name rather than by AIA number. Again, the Manufacturers' Index cards would be filed by manufacturers' names, but using this system, the Product Card Index would be filed by AIA Number. If this system were used, it would be necessary to make occasional use of the AIA Alphabetical Index as published in the Standard Filing System Manual. For example, if the engineer wanted to get all the catalogs on oil burners, he might have to go to the AIA Alphabetical Index to learn that Oil Burners are numbered 30-G-1. Then he could go to that number in his Product Card Index and find all the names of manufacturers.

This reference to the AIA Manual could be eliminated in most instances by inserting separator cards in the Product Card Index, each separator giving the subject of an AIA Major Division, with subdivisions and AIA Numbers printed below on the card. (Fig. 5) Then anyone who would judge that Oil Burners would be under the Major Division "30—Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration" would note that heading on the separator card

and could then find "Oil Burners" listed as 30-G-1.

This system does have the very distinct advantage of having the catalogs, themselves, filed alphabetically by manufacturer's name. Since most references to catalogs are the result of a need for a particular manufacturer's publication, the user can go directly to the file and select the catalog without further ado. When filed by AIA number, there is always the need to look in some cross-reference file or the AIA Manual to translate product to code number. Then too, when filing by AIA number, one manufacturer may have a number of catalogs scattered throughout the file. Filing by manufacturer's name keeps all of his catalogs in one place.

This system of filing catalogs by manufacturers' names is the one recommended by the New York Association of Consulting Engineers.

#### Manufacturers Supply Cards

The New York Association of Consulting Engineers now is starting a program to encourage manufacturers to supply along with each of their catalogs a pair of cards, one for the Manufacturers' Index and one for the Product Index. This is a laudable project, but it is doubtful if it could be accomplished for even a small percentage of the manufacturers of engineering equipment and materials—over many years. It does offer an opportunity to the wise manufacturer who recognizes the advantages of having his catalog listed in a cross index in an engineer's office.

Certainly, it would cost very little for each manufacturer to attach a Manufacturers' Index Card to each of his bulletins when it is mailed to a consultant's office. This might be done by a great many manufacturers with just a little encouragement. On the other hand, the inclusion of a Product Index Card with each catalog seems impractical. The Product Index Card lists the product by AIA number, and on this card should be shown the names of all manufacturers who make such products and who have catalogs in the file. One manufacturer could hardly be expected to supply the names of his competitors, and he would have no way of knowing which of his competitors catalogs were in the engineer's file even if he felt like listing them. Then too, catalogs frequently carry data on more than one type of product, and then separate Product Index Cards would have to be printed for each classification.

This is no real handicap. A set of printed separator cards could be made available commercially for the engineer's Product Index, and then the engineer's office could prepare the actual Product Index Cards. Only one card would be required for each product classification, and as catalogs were received in the office, it would merely be necessary to add the name of the manufacturer to the proper Product Index Card. If the manufacturer supplied the Manufacturers' Index Card with the catalog, the system would be complete. ▲ ▲

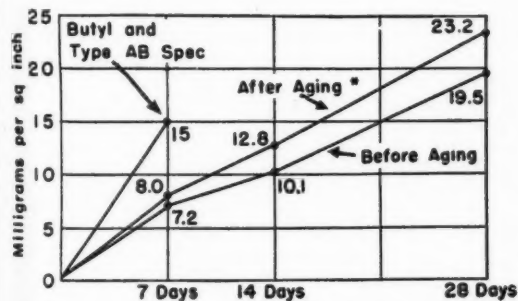




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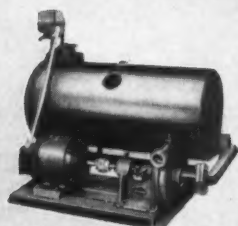


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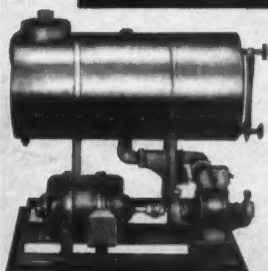
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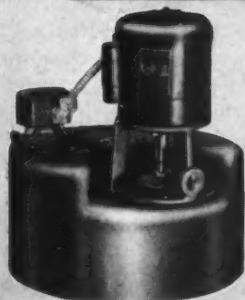
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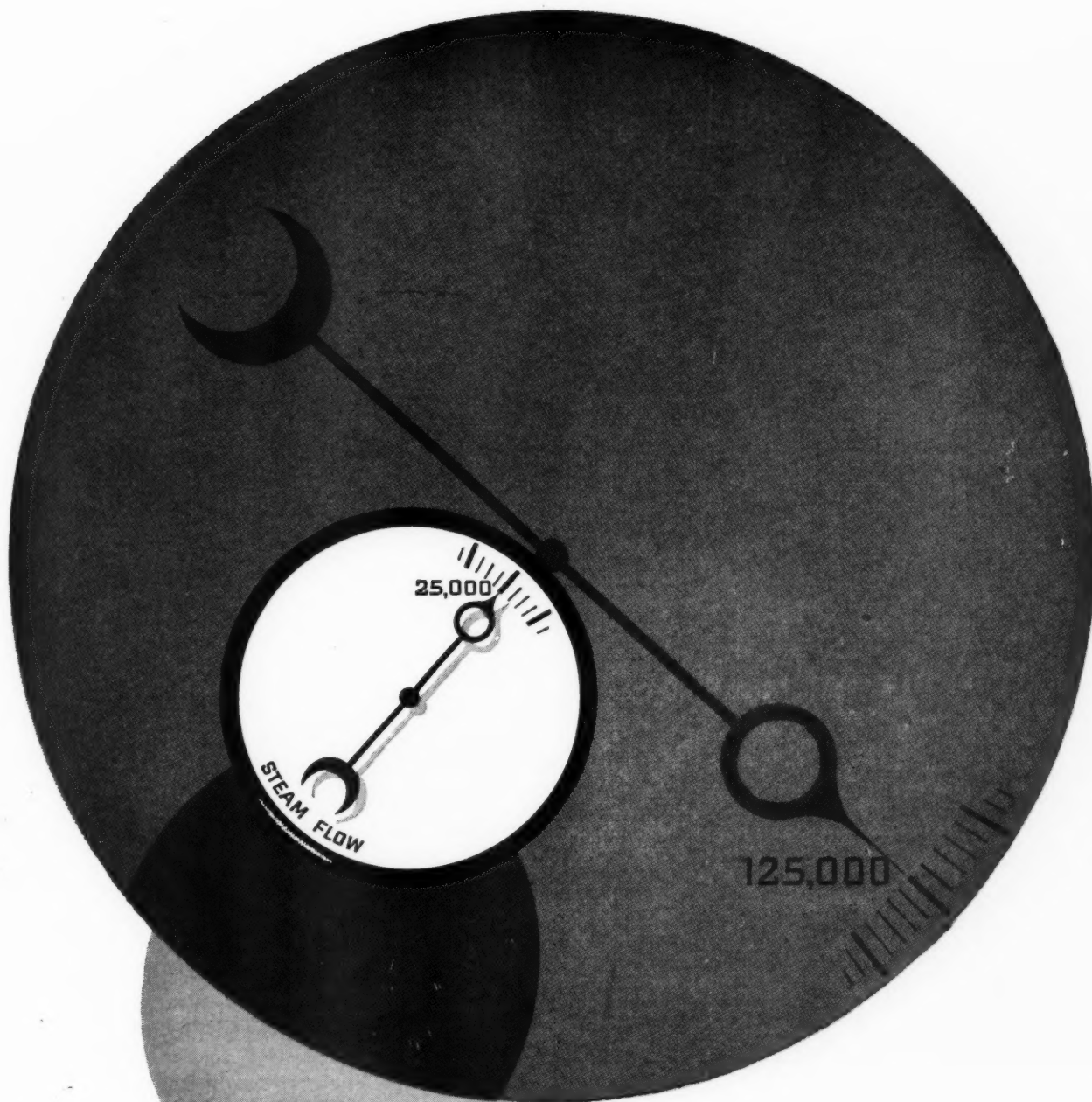
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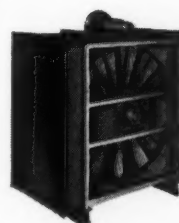
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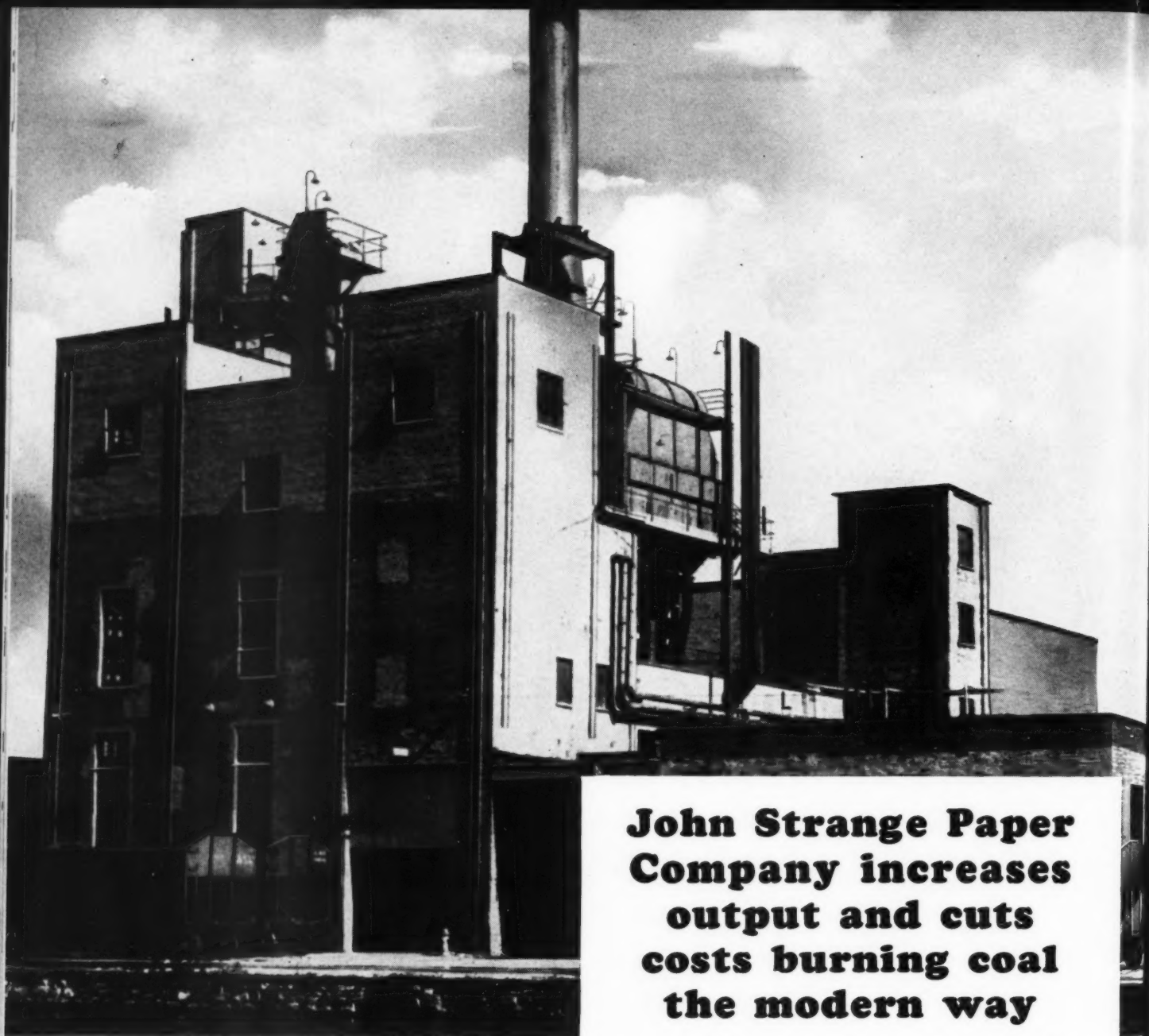
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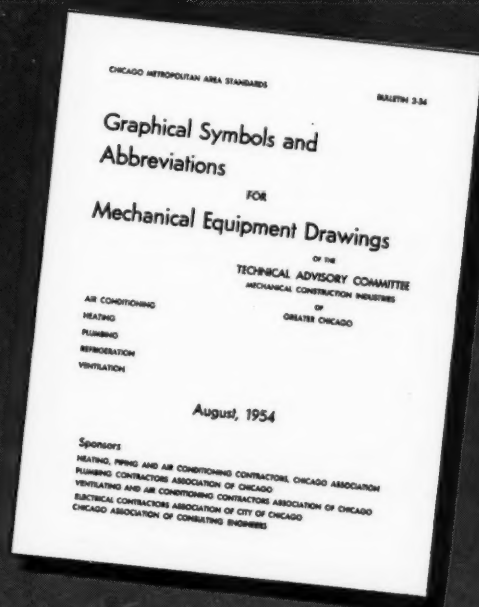
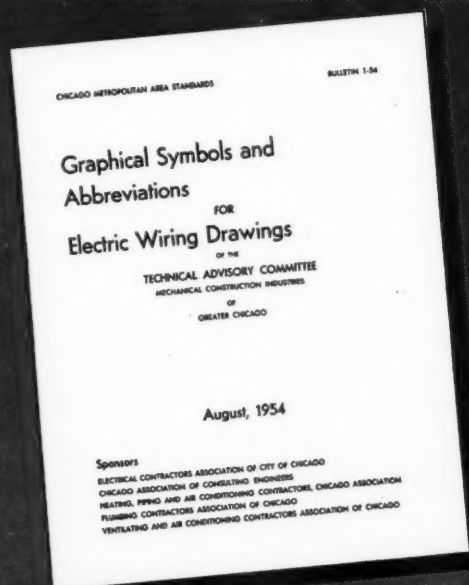
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# Chicago Code Defines Engineering Work

EDWARD J. WOLFF, Consulting Engineer



**Exclusive** IN 1947, the Chicago Association of Consulting Engineers appointed a committee to study Fees and Services of the consulting engineer. This committee found that Fees and Services varied as much as 300 percent, with the project studies and the extent of development of the consulting engineer's drawings being principally responsible for the big differential between the low and high extremes.

## Survey Findings

Surveys revealed that some offices developed their plans and material lists to the point where the drawings could be used directly by the contractors for installing the systems. This type of service naturally commanded a good fee, but ultimately proved more economical for the owner. It produced keener competitive bidding, provided better control of the quality of the materials used on the project, and eliminated the need for preparing separate shop drawings. In many instances, the owner preferred this type of service because during the development of the drawings, some of the major components required in the various systems could be purchased directly.

In contrast, other offices offered drawings with only a minimum description of the various systems,

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details and quantities being covered in the specifications. Some even went to the extent of asking the installer to guarantee the results. Under these conditions, the contractor frequently had to re-engineer his part of the work and to make shop drawings from interpretation of the consultant's drawings and specifications. The specifications accompanying this type of service usually incorporated the so-called "murder clauses."

The Chicago Association of Consulting Engineers recognized that such disparity in engineering services was extremely detrimental to everyone con-

## SUMMARIES OF TYPICAL MATERIAL IN CHICAGO'S "CODE OF TRADE PRACTICES"

It is intended that all drawings developed by Consulting Engineers and Architects should be complete in detail for general mechanical installation so that installation drawings will not have to be made by sub-contractors. Manufacturer's detail drawings on special equipment will still be required. It is intended to eliminate the necessity of drawings being made by the installer. This should result in economy because of the duplication where the installer prepares installation drawings.

All drawings shall comply with current Laws, Codes, and Ordinances prevailing in the area of construction.

All Mechanical Trades plans shall be stamped with the Illinois State Registered Professional Engineer stamp.

Sectional drawings of congested areas shall be made to show all mechanical trades where interferences occur, for better coordination.

Scales of working drawings shall be 1/4, 1/8, or 1/16 inch to the foot.

Scale of any required detail drawings shall be not less than 1/4 inch per foot.

Symbols as approved and printed in pamphlet form are to be used on all drawings.

Size of drawings should be in multiples of 8-1/2 x 11 inches, and where practical, sheets should not exceed 28 x 40 inches. All drawings of any one set for the same project should be of uniform size.

Blue line drawings are recommended instead of blueprints, for economy and clarity.

On special, or uncommonly used equipment, manufacturer's name should be given as well as his address or that of the local representative.

Complete duct and pipe sizing of job shall be shown on plan.

Complete details, with cross section through fan rooms, including intakes, roof ventilators, and louvre dampers of all types shall be shown on plan.

When the job is complicated, there shall be provided separate drawings for plumbing and heating piping.

Isometric drawings shall be furnished showing any detail pipe connections.

Piping riser and ventilating diagrams of job shall be furnished showing ceiling heights on riser diagrams.

Show eccentric fittings or pipe sizes, before and after reduction in size, on steam mains and branches.

Proper space must be allocated for sewers, waste and vent stacks, and water lines.

Show separate water lines on drawings from service pipe for domestic, fire protection, and air conditioning use.

Ventilating plans, for the distribution, supply, and exhaust ducts, shall be drawn to scale dimensions. Line drawings should not be used.

Provide ventilation schedules where required by City Ordinances. Complete characteristics of all fans in the system shall be shown on plan.

Sizes, types, and capacities of all supply and exhaust diffusers and grilles, with installation height from floor, shall be shown on plan.

Component sections of control units shall be spaced so that sections may be serviced from both sides through access doors in the casing.

All sheets shall have a name plate indicating name, date, and revision schedule.

Include all mechanical material, equipment, appliances, and accessories in mechanical contract and specifications.

Coordination of mechanical trades is necessary on construction work and a proper fee should be paid for this service by the awarding agency on the project.

The electric wiring and steam, water, air, and drainage pipe to all ventilation equipment requiring same shall be shown on the ventilation plans, but definitely show that this work is to be done by the trades involved and included in drawings and/or specifications of the trades involved.

Electrical plans shall show all service and meter equipment, which shall be determined by negotiation with utility company, and same indicated in detail on plan.

Over-all sizes of power and light cabinets, size of service, and material equipment, shall be shown on the drawings.

Electrical plans shall show complete feeder diagram for both light and power, with all cabinets marked with loads and number of circuits.

Indicate on feeder schedule, size of all feeders and conduits and size of connection taps to power and light cabinets with schedule showing circuits used and for future use.

Details shall be added where feeders are located in congested areas.

Branch circuits shall show pipe and wire sizes together with circuit numbers to every outlet included on the plan.

Provide circuiting for control wiring specified; also show all control wiring for equipment furnished by others and included in electrical contract.

Detail the type of support and either the distance from floor or length of stem required for light fixtures.

All control wiring shall be shown on plans rather than be called for in the specifications.

nected with the construction industry—consultants, architects, contractors, and owners alike. As a result, we instigated a joint venture with the four mechanical trades of the City of Chicago to develop a written set of rules and regulations covering the preparation of engineering drawings. This effort ultimately produced a "Code of Trade Practices," which is actually a method of standardizing engineers' design drawings for the mechanical trades.

#### Objectives of Program

Brief summaries of some of the typical material covered by the "Code of Trade Practices" are listed in the accompanying table. It should be noted that each item was studied and evaluated carefully in an effort to serve the basic requirements of the construction industry and to realize certain fundamental objectives:

- ¶ Assure greater efficiency and economy.
- ¶ Safeguard the public interests.
- ¶ Provide better service to the owner.
- ¶ Clarify and streamline the responsibility and scope of work to be performed by the professional man in the construction industry.
- ¶ Eliminate duplication of effort and time, both for engineers and architects as well as for contractors.
- ¶ Create better understanding and coordination among consultants, architects, and contractors, and between these groups and the clients.

#### Cooperative Effort

In preparing this "Code of Trade Practices," the Chicago Association of Consulting Engineers received valuable assistance and cooperation from the four participating mechanical trades: Electrical Contractors Association of City of Chicago; Heating, Piping and Air Conditioning Contractors, Chicago Association; Plumbing Contractors Association of Chicago; and Ventilating and Air Conditioning Contractors Association of Chicago. Each of these four groups appointed its own committee, and several meetings were held between ourselves and the four trades groups collectively.

First, we set up standard symbols for mechanical and electrical use that were agreed upon and sponsored by all of the participating groups. These symbols were printed in two bulletins\* that have been widely distributed throughout this area.

We then investigated the problem of degree of engineering service. It was found that each of the four trades groups wanted to be relieved of the responsibility of preparing separate shop drawings.

\*Chicago Metropolitan Area Standards, Bulletin 1-54, *Graphical Symbols and Abbreviations for Electrical Wiring Drawings*, and Bulletin 2-54, *Graphical Symbols and Abbreviations for Mechanical Equipment Drawings*, Technical Advisory Committee, Mechanical Construction Industries of Greater Chicago, August, 1954. Copies of each bulletin are available at 20 cents per copy from Chicago Association of Consulting Engineers, 11 South LaSalle St., Chicago 3, Ill.

This, of course, created a serious problem in the offices of those consulting engineers whose services heretofore had covered only minimum development of engineering drawings. In the course of these various meetings, each of the four trades groups voiced their desires insofar as details on the drawings were concerned.

All groups agreed that complete details were necessary for the processing of construction work and that somebody had to work out these details. Finally, it was decided that inasmuch as the consulting engineer was designing the system, he was in a better position to complete the development of the various details. This additionally achieved the desired result of eliminating duplication on the part of the contractor or installer.

#### Expect Further Progress

Other problems also were investigated thoroughly before preparing the current draft of the "Code of Trade Practices." As every man who has served on association committees knows, many ideas are brought forth, but few are finally selected for inclusion. However, we have made a start, and we feel it has been to the advantage of our profession, the trades groups, and the public as well. We all realize continuing effort will be required as the problems are becoming more and more serious because of the complexity of the engineered trades and the changing conditions that prevail in today's construction market.

Looking to the future, the inclusion of complete material lists as a part of the development of drawings may be considered. This would eliminate the duplication of take-offs, and every bidder would have the opportunity to bid on the same quantities. Unsuccessful bidders would save time and money — a definite benefit since every contractor prorates his over-all estimating costs on the construction work that actually becomes business on his books.

#### Striving for Recognition

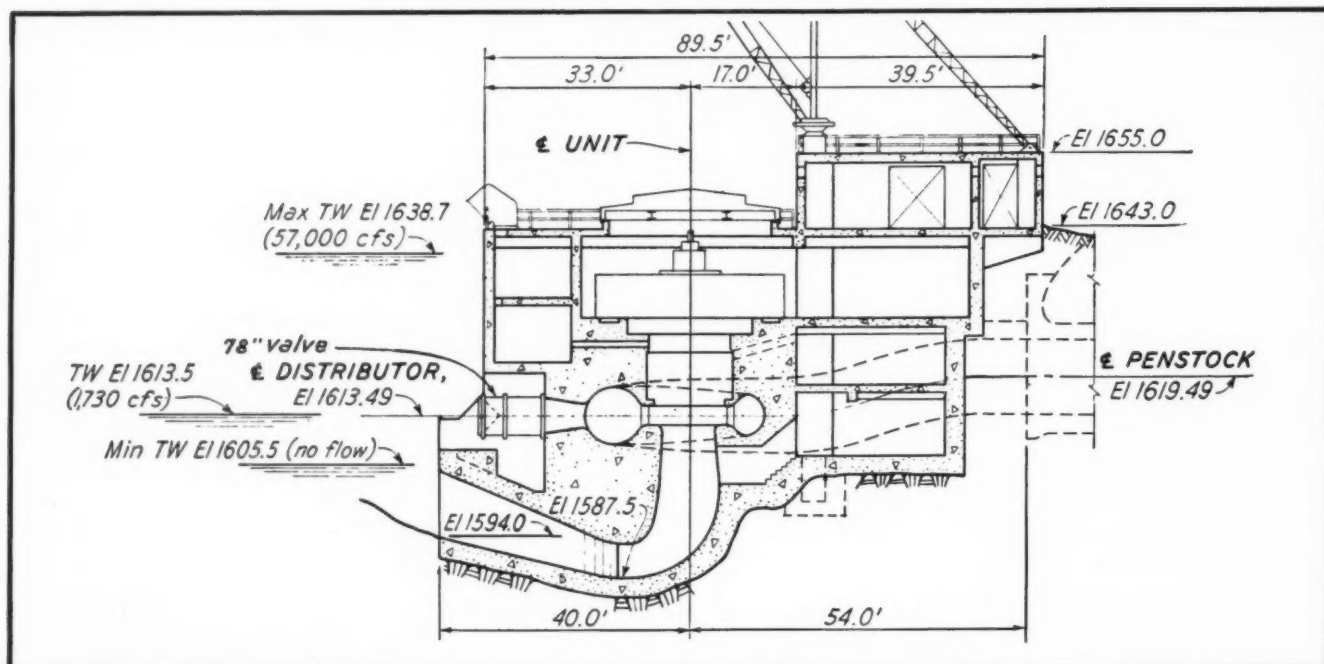
Meanwhile, we also have recommended certain procedures to obtain recognition of our current efforts. One is the appointment of a Legislative Committee for the Mechanical Trades Industries to work with municipal agencies and the state legislature in the interest of economy, safety, and public health protection in the mechanical field. This would include clarification and interpretation of codes, laws, and ordinances. Another is directed toward better public relations through research and educational programs for the mechanical trades.

As all of these efforts continue, we hope to make substantial progress. In fact, just before the "Code of Trade Practices" was accepted, the Chicago Chapter of the A.I.A. appointed a committee to represent their group at meetings and to offer their opinions. Their cooperation will be helpful. ▲ ▲



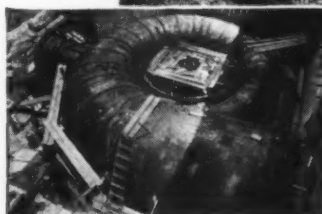
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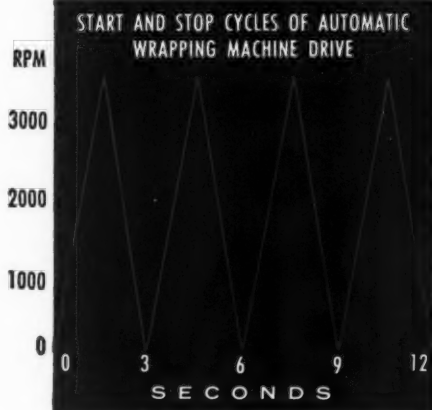
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# REPORT FROM COPENHAGEN

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European Editor

A DANISH consulting engineer, Mr. Soren Rasmussen, in an article published in the local engineering journal, *Ingenioren* (13 November, 1954) has broken down the membership figures for the ten European National Associations of Consulting Engineers and compared the number of consultants with the total population to show the per capita relationship:

Country	Population	Member Consultants	Per Capita
Belgium	8,736,000	100	1:87,000
Denmark	4,281,000	130	1:33,000
England	50,772,000	340	1:49,000
Finland	4,033,000	25	1:169,000
France	42,600,000	800	1:53,000
Germany	48,600,000	474	1:103,000
Holland	10,264,000	61	1:168,000
Norway	3,169,000	107	1:29,500
Sweden	7,047,000	90	1:78,000
Switzerland	4,749,000	37	1:128,000

Next to Norway, Denmark has the greatest number of consulting engineer members in its Association in proportion to the total population. Two important conclusions can be drawn from these facts. First, a major portion of the engineering and construction projects in Denmark are done by consulting engineers who are members of the Danish Association of Consulting Engineers. And second, because of its broad membership base, the Association has won recognition and strong support in the community for its professional activities.

One direct result of having a strong Association is that the Danish engineers have been able to establish very realistic fee schedules. Instead of basing their fees on a sliding percentage of the total construction cost, they have carefully analyzed the different types of engineering projects and set up fee schedules to take into consideration the engineering responsibilities and experience factors that would apply to each category.

Engineering work, according to the Danish code, will fall under one or more of these headings:

I. Erection of dwelling houses, factory and office buildings, storehouses, warehouses, sheds, halls . . .

II. Reinforced concrete, steel, wood construction

III. Supplying buildings with light, water, heat, ventilation, conduits, paving of yards . . .

IV. Distribution systems for high and low voltage,

wireless stations, tramways, electric railways, and in-plant electric distribution systems.

V. Factory premises and layout of machinery, electricity, water, and gasworks.

VI. Individual sewage disposal systems.

VII. Roads and streets, sports stadiums, tramways and suburban lines.

VIII. Railways.

IX. Docks and harbors, dykes and barrages.

X. Ships, floating docks, floating cranes . . .

As an example, the fee schedule (taken from the Code of Practice for Consulting Engineers and published by the Institute of Danish Civil Engineers) for engineering docks and harbors, dykes and barrages (scale IX) is reproduced below:

Cost of Works Danish kroner	(a)	(b)	(c)	Total
10,000	350	250	400	1000
20,000	610	460	730	1800
50,000	1270	1000	1630	3900
100,000	1870	1750	2880	6500
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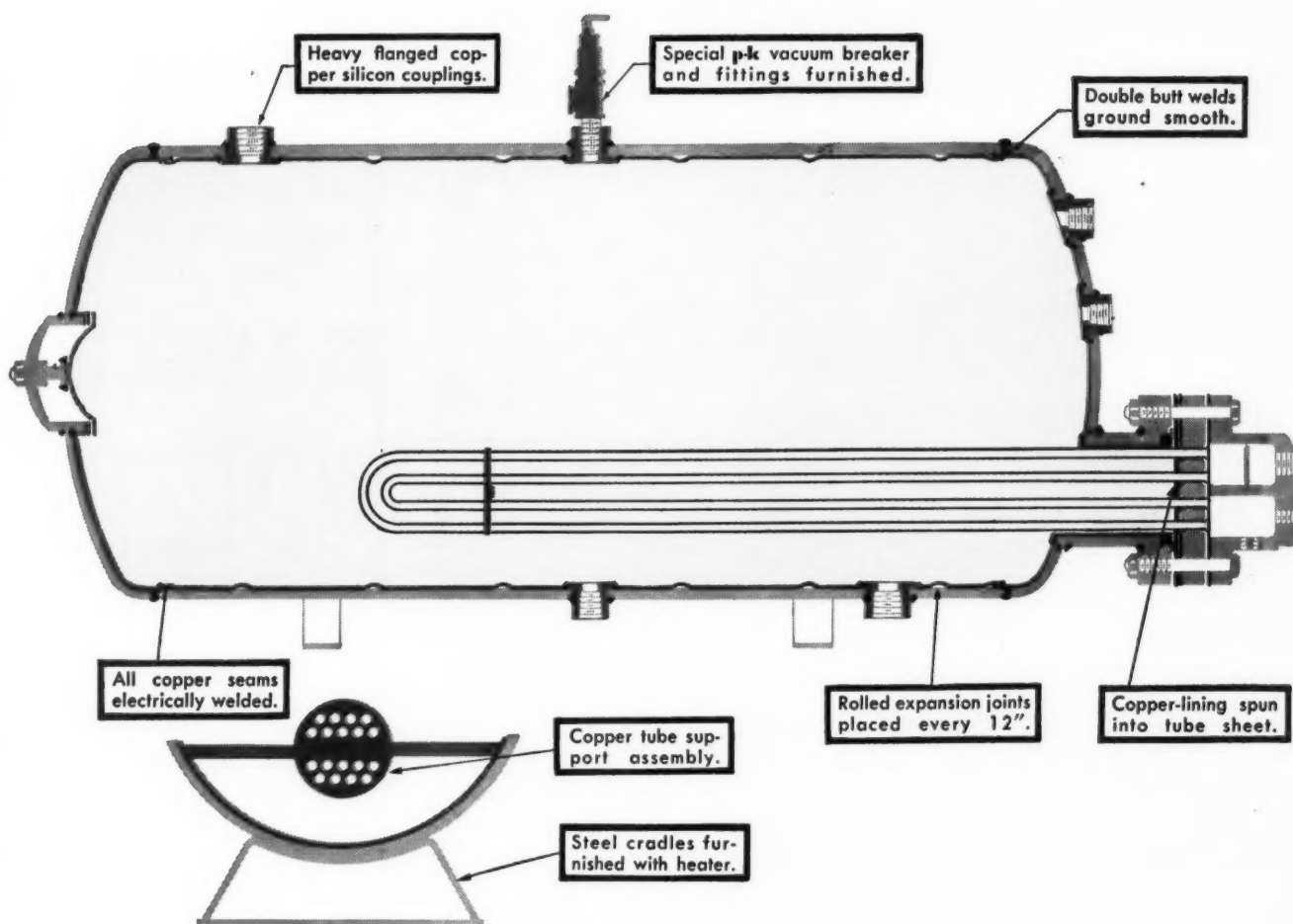
Percentage of Additional Costs				
Danish kroner	(a) %	(b) %	(c) %	Total %
Of the First				
Of the Next 10,000	3.5	2.5	4.0	10.0
Of the Next 10,000	2.6	2.1	3.3	8.0
Of the Next 30,000	2.2	1.8	3.0	7.0
Of the Next 50,000	1.2	1.5	2.5	5.2
Of the Next 100,000	1.1	1.2	2.1	4.4
Of the Next 300,000	0.8	1.0	1.9	3.7
Of the Remainder	0.8	0.9	1.8	3.5

The (a), (b), (c) headings refer to:

(a) General Planning — plans showing the provisional project, explanations of the main features of the project, estimates and calculation of the economic advantages in as much detail as may be necessary for the client to judge the proposition.

(b) Detailed Planning — putting the plan into correct engineering terminology, i.e., drawings with





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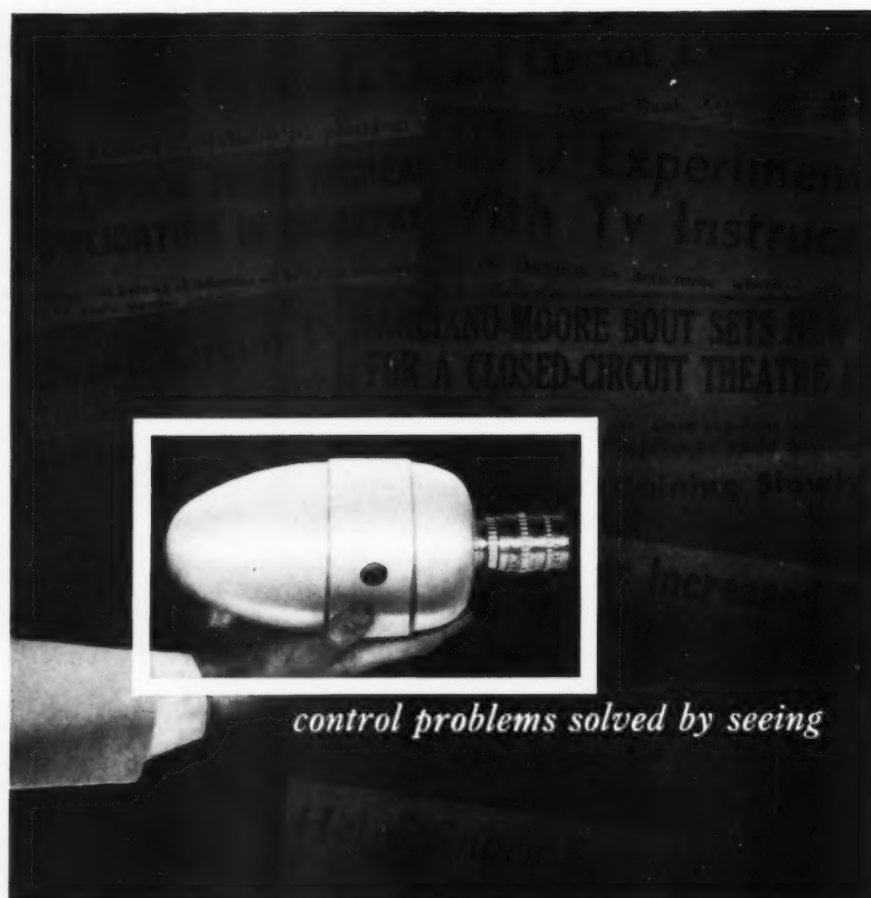
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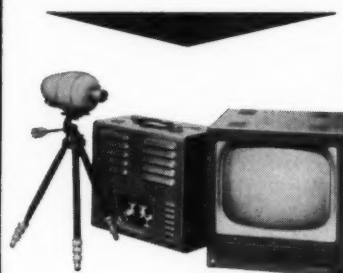
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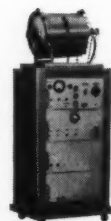
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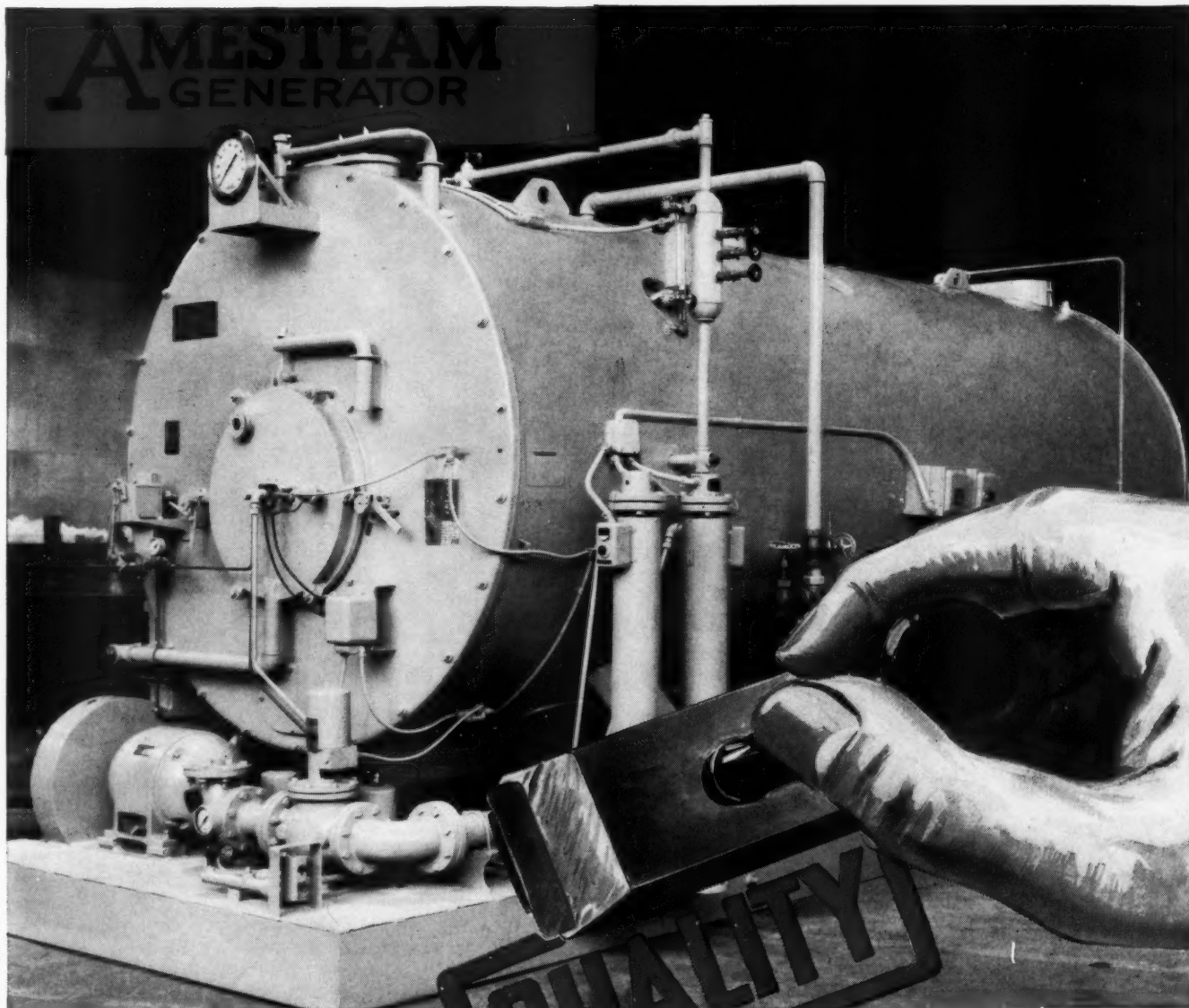
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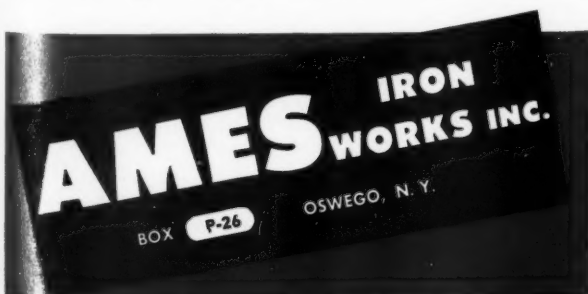
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To show how these fee schedules are applied, a sample project has been worked out:

The consulting engineer's assignment is a harbor pier in connection with the extension of an existing sewage disposal system and the construction of a warehouse of reinforced concrete.

**Cost of work:**

Harbor pier .....	kr. 490,000.-
Extension of sewage disposal .....	kr. 40,000.-
Warehouse .....	kr. 60,000.-
Total .....	kr. 590,000.-

The engineer is responsible for the planning and administration of the entire product. The fee is then calculated from scale IX (docks and harbors, dykes and barrages).

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Cost of construction: 40,000 kr.

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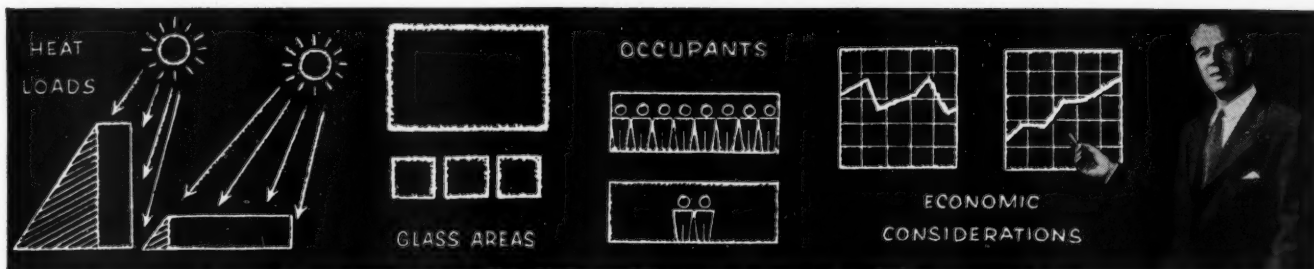
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Where a dispute may arise between the consulting engineer and the client regarding the interpretation of these fee schedules, the point at issue will be decided by a court of arbitration set up by the Institute of Danish Civil Engineers, itself.

The "Code of Practices" is also explicit about the relationship between the client and the consultant. "The engineer is paid by the client and by the client alone. The engineer must, therefore, neither receive nor demand any kind of commission, rebate, or the like from the contractor or the supplier, in favor of anyone but his client; if the engineer's relations with the contractor or the supplier are such that any doubt may arise as to his fitness to watch over his client's interests in a thoroughly impartial manner, he must fully inform his client about this beforehand." The penalty for the violation of this principle is forced resignation from the Association. And because membership in the Association is highly regarded in Denmark, a non-member would find his business severely hurt by such a move.

Of Denmark's 130 member consulting engineers, about 70 center their activities in Copenhagen. The remainder make their living in their own local communities. A number of the Copenhagen consultants are busy on the international scene. Steensen & Varming are civil engineers who have recently opened an office in Dublin to take advantage of the growing trend towards industrialization in Southern Ireland. At home, Steensen & Varming are particularly proud of their design of the new Institute for Nuclear Research, in Copenhagen.

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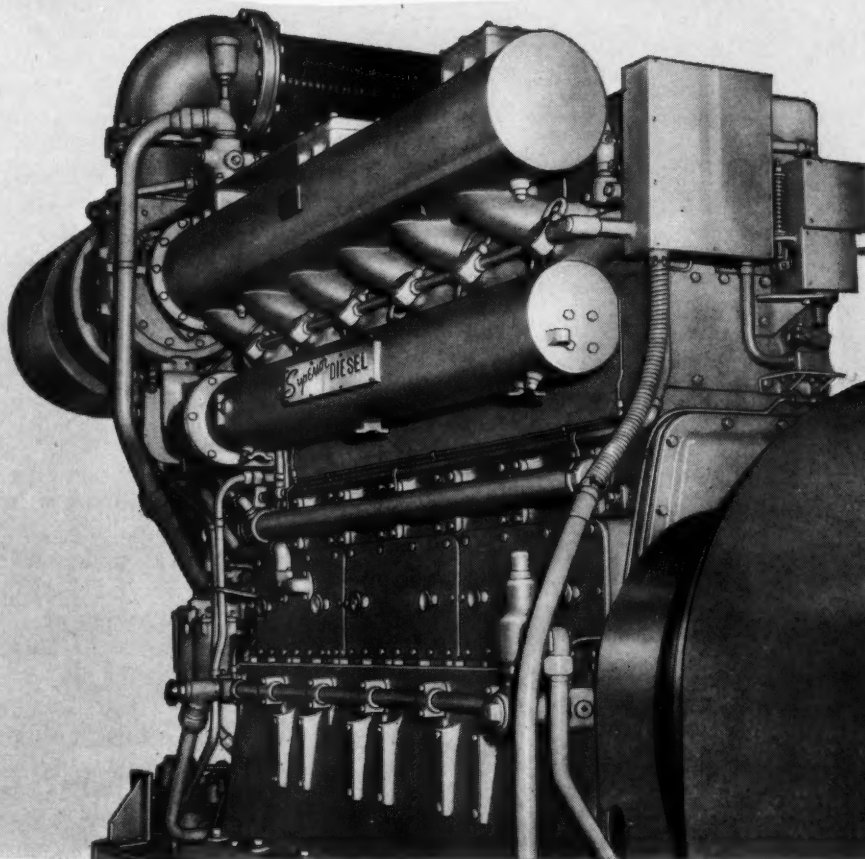
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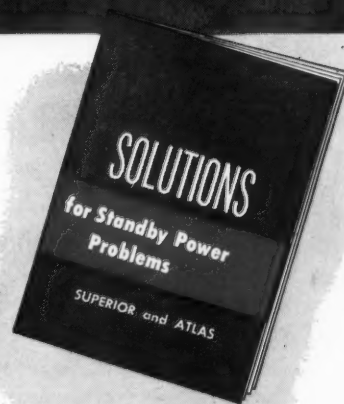
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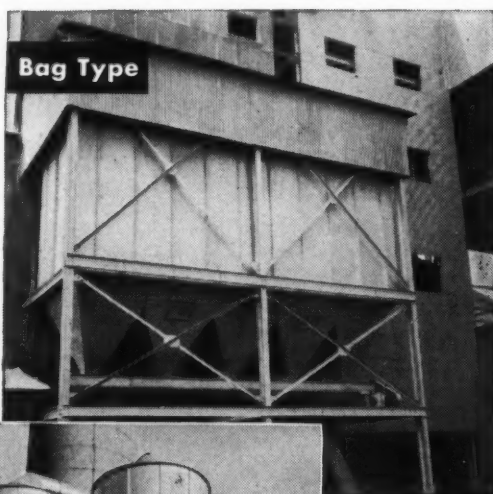
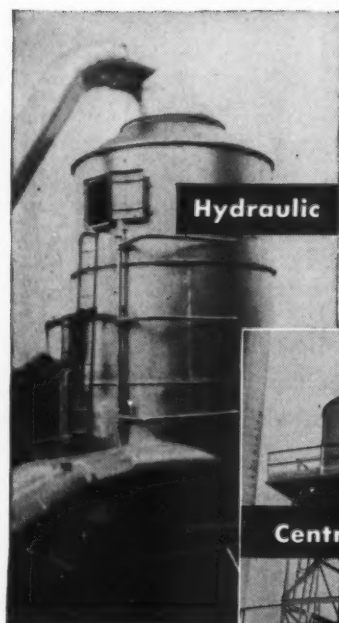
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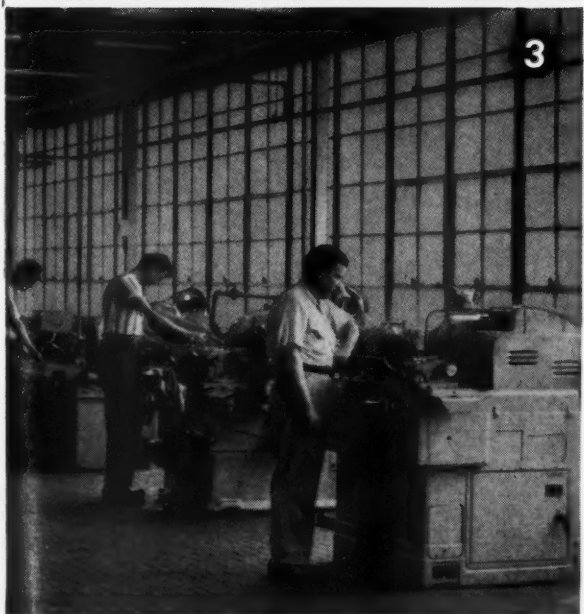
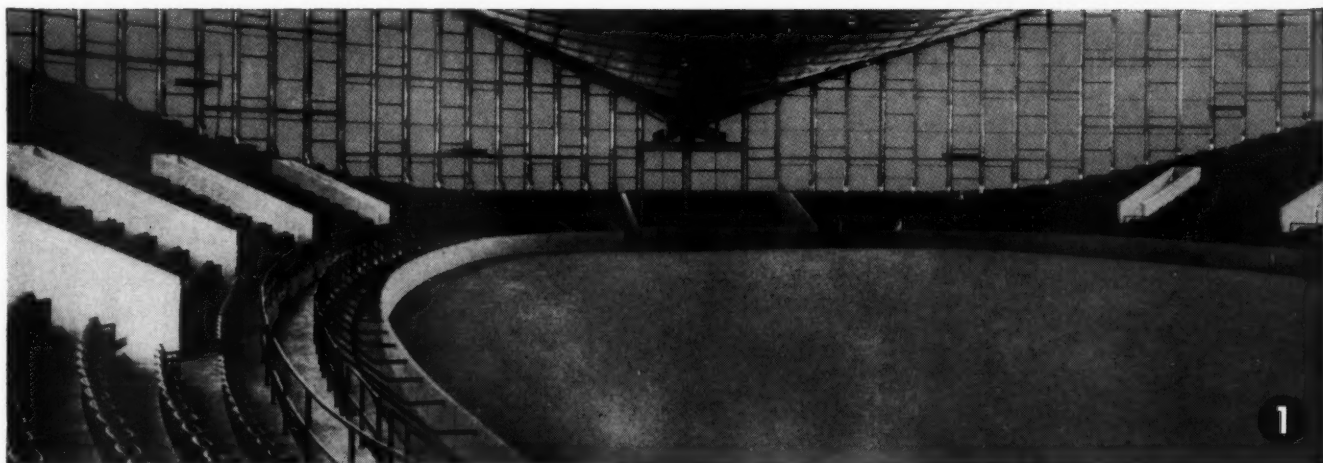
There are in Copenhagen two large international contractors, Cristiani & Nielsen and Kampsax. These firms are not members of the Danish Association of Consulting Engineers — although Kampsax does only consulting work in Denmark, he is barred from membership because he engages in contracting as well as consulting engineering in his foreign assignments.

I visited with Mr. Saxild, the senior partner of Kampsax, while in Copenhagen. Mr. Saxild and Mr. Kampmann started in Turkey, in 1927, designing and constructing the railway system for the Turkish government. Between 1927-37, the firm built about 1,000 kilometers of track, bridges, and tunnels worth over \$50 million.

During the war, Kampsax built the Trans-Iranian railway—800 miles long at a cost of 30 million English pounds. The railway was finished in time for the Russians to receive badly needed supplies when they were defending Stalin-grad against the Nazis. Kampsax also built roads, airfields, barracks for the British in several countries in the Middle East.

Late in the 1940's Kampsax started four big harbor projects—breakwaters, keys, sheds, dredging—for the Turks. Recently added to this work was \$10 million of dock facilities in Istanbul. In Syria, Kampsax is responsible for developing the port of Latakia at an estimated cost of \$50 million. And two harbor projects were just started for the Iranian government along the Persian Gulf worth in the neighborhood of \$20 million.

Mr. Saxild, in his conversation with me, expressed a desire to cooperate with American consulting engineers on work in the Middle East. His many years of experience in that area, outstanding reputation, and perhaps the fact that Denmark is in no way involved in the political turmoils there, are valuable assets. Mr. Saxild, as other European consultants, offers American engineers many interesting possibilities for cooperation. ▲ ▲



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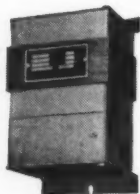
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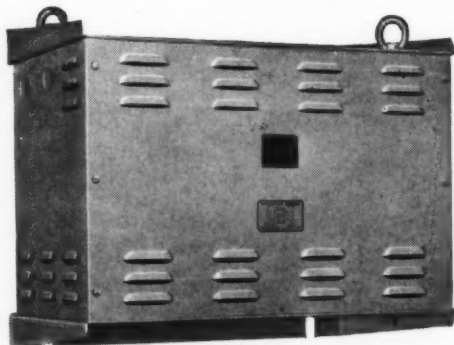
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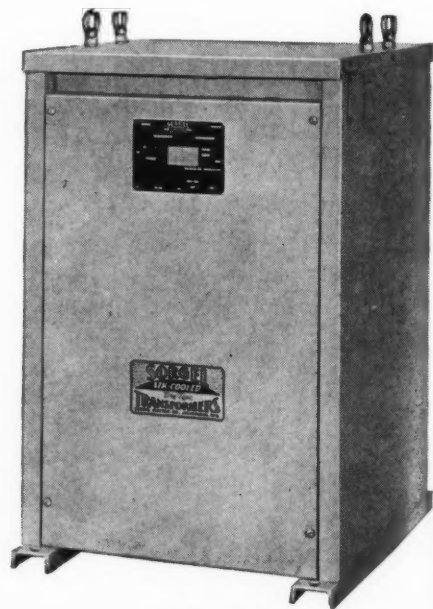
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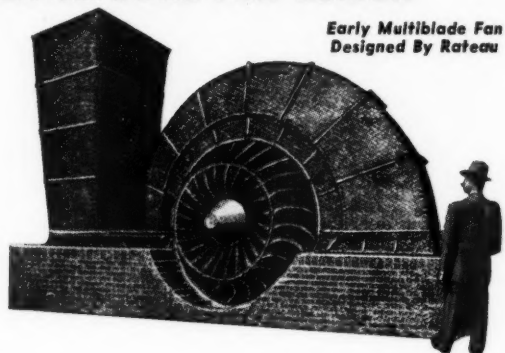
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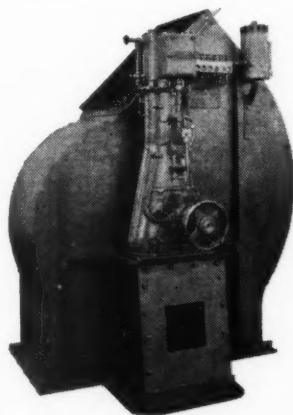


Early Multiblade Fan  
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THE French engineer, Camille Rateau (1863-1930) designed his forerunner of multiblade centrifugal fans on the basis of theories borrowed from experience with turbines and other centrifugal devices. Intricate castings and forgings, weak and brittle materials, slow and cumbersome prime movers, massive masonry and wood structures, were the rule.

Today's centrifugal fan evolved from theory based on specialization in fan design and usage. Modern fabricating and welding techniques, materials and components, high-speed prime movers, streamlined concrete and steel structures are now available. These refined tools can provide centrifugal fan designs

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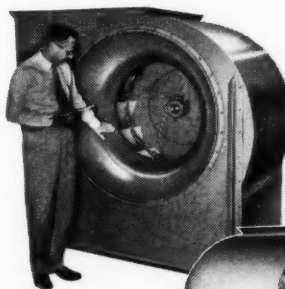
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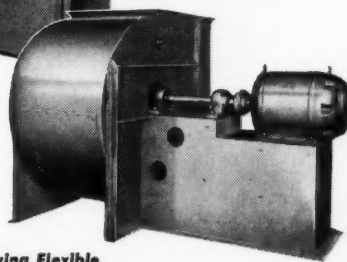
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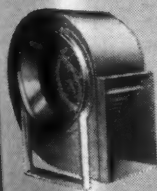
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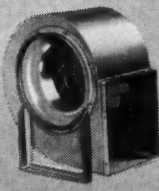
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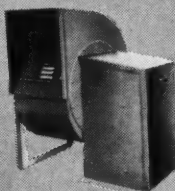
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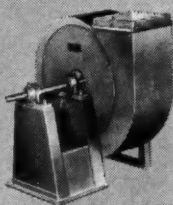
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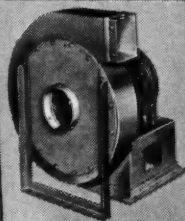
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## NEWS

Briefs of current interest to the consulting profession plus notes on new equipment in the field of engineering

### Oklahoma and Arizona Study Industrial Resources

Looking ahead to the advantages of further industrialization as the Nation's population moves westward, the Oklahoma legislature created an Oklahoma State Department of Industry early in 1955. The department recently retained Fantus Area Research, Inc., of New York, to conduct an industrial study of the state's resources at a cost of \$50,000. Funds for the study will be paid out of the legislative appropriation for the new department.

The study will be designed to present an impartial evaluation of cost factors and locational needs, industry by industry, to determine the state's ability to match specific technical requirements. It will include a breakdown of market potential, raw material accessibility, and distribution of operating costs for more than 100 major industrial categories.

Said to be the first study of its kind to be conducted for a state industrial development agency, it will be used as a selling tool by the department and other promotion groups within the state.

Arizona, looking into the feasibility of attracting new industries, had retained Stanford Research Institute to make a detailed study of the impact of industrialization upon the state's finances. The study was divided into three parts: public revenues from the plant and satellites; public revenues from the payrolls of the plant and satellites; and public expenditures attributable to plant and employees.

The final report, now before the state legislature, recommends that the state tax on sales to the Federal government be discontinued as a detriment to economic development, and forecasts that Arizona-located plants selling to the Federal government would more than pay their own way.

### New Instruments Speed Research on Smog

Founded only a year and a half ago, the Air Pollution Foundation recently made public nine special research tools it has been instrumental in developing or adapting for use in air chemistry. All automatic and continuously operating, the instruments

are expected to speed research in the cause and eventual cure of smog.

Probably the most important instrument is a device conceived by Dr. Lewis H. Rogers, Foundation chemist, which measures and records the concentration of four pollutions over a 24-hr period—oxidant, oxidant precursor, nitric oxide, and nitrogen dioxide. Amounts of these pollutants are recorded on a single roll of graph paper, allowing researchers to make side-by-side comparisons.

Three separate instruments developed during the last year are combined in Dr. Rogers' control cabinet. One of these, the oxidant recorder, was used by the Foundation in its 1955 aerometric survey of the Los Angeles Basin. The nature and origin of oxidants are important since high concentrations are accompanied by reduced visibility, eye irritation, and crop damage.

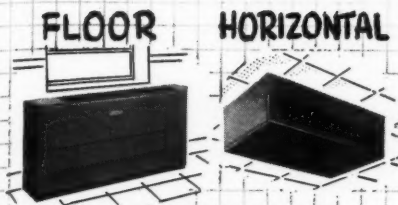
The second device is a Foundation developed model of a precursor oxidant recorder conceived by Dr. Fred Littman, Stanford Research Institute chemist, for use with the oxidant recorder. It takes continuous samples of the atmosphere during the night, subjects part of the samples to irradiation by artificial sunlight, and records the oxidant in the non-irradiated and irradiated samples. This instrument has established that smog-free night air can be converted into smoggy air by artificial sunlight.

The third device is a nitric oxide and nitrogen dioxide recorder utilizing a chemical method for measuring  $\text{NO}_2$ , reported a year ago by Dr. Bernard Saltzman. The instrument has made possible the first automatic and continuous measurements of nitrogen dioxide and nitric oxide in the air. Nitrogen dioxide is a trigger for smog forming reactions and originates primarily from nitric oxide formed during combustion.

Among the other instruments in use by the Foundation is an ozone radiometer, a photoelectric device that measures the amount of ozone in the air, the gas suspected of being a major cause of rubber cracking, paint deterioration, and plant damage; and a carbon monoxide recorder that makes it possible to tell from unusually high concentration of carbon monoxide in the air whether or not pollution is from motor vehicles.

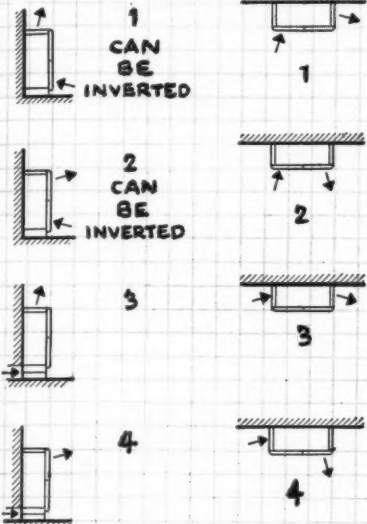
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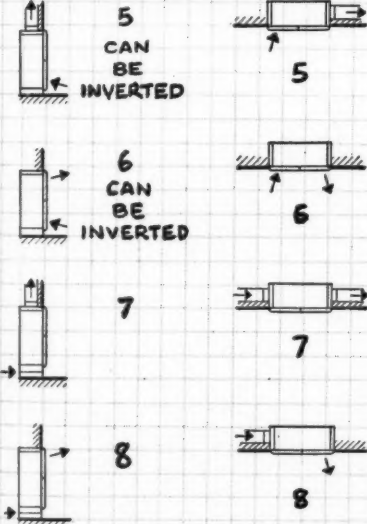


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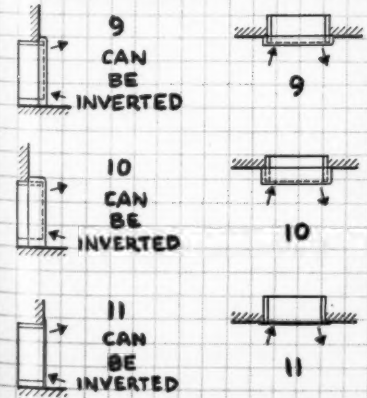
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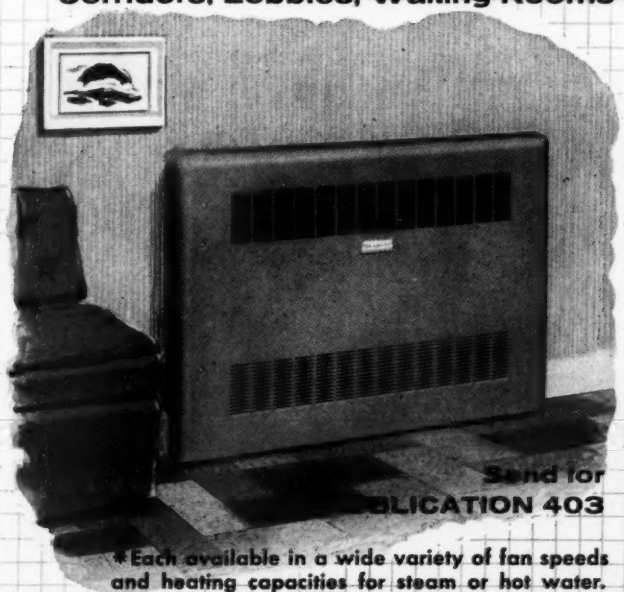
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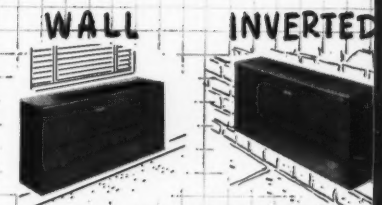
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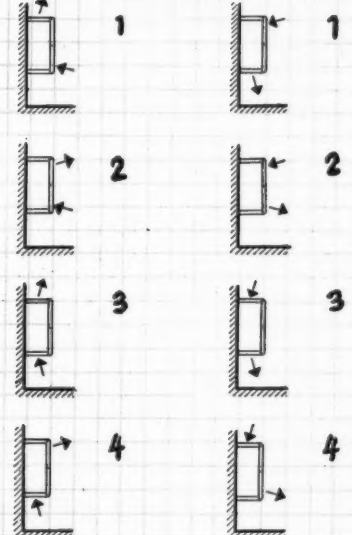
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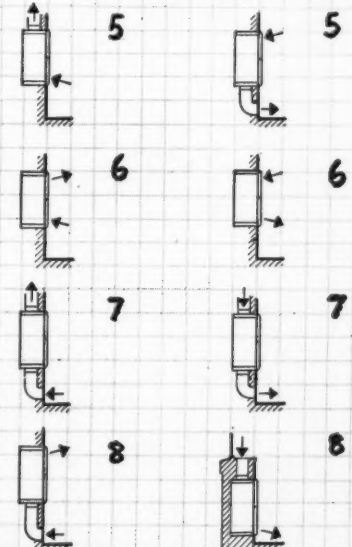


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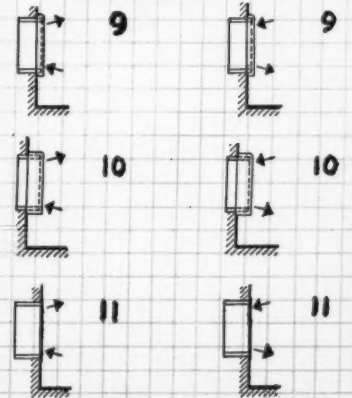
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are now working to produce such an instrument at a reasonable cost. A photoelectronic aerosol particle counter—built to segregate tiny visibility-clouding particles in the atmosphere into 20 separate size groups—is undergoing calibration tests at UCLA. It is based on a prototype designed and constructed by Professor Chester T. O'Konski and George J. Doyle, of the University of California at Berkeley. This device is expected to show how big a part auto exhaust plays in reducing visibility.

The ninth instrument is an aero-meteorograph that can be attached to small captive balloons to probe the atmosphere at various levels for readings on temperature, air pressure, and relative humidity. Its prototype was designed by Don T. Hilleary, research assistant in the Department of Meteorology at UCLA, for Air Force study of the inversion layer.

With these advances in research tools what are the prospects of solving the smog problem? Improved, but still sometime in the future, according to the Air Pollution Foundation.

#### **New Electronic Equipment Installed in New York Bank**

The closed circuit television installed two years ago at the first branch office of the New York Savings Bank has proved so successful that the bank has included plans for increased use of television and pos-

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The use of the closed circuit television not only makes it possible to increase banking hours, but offers better teller service at the branch office since the teller never has to leave her post.

A General Precision Laboratory television camera is located in the accounting room of the bank's main office at 14th Street and 8th Avenue. The ten tellers at the branch office each have monitors mounted in their desks. The teller flicks a switch and is connected to the central accounting room 2½ miles away. She asks for the desired information, the record clerk puts the proper record card under the camera lens, and the picture is received on the monitor.

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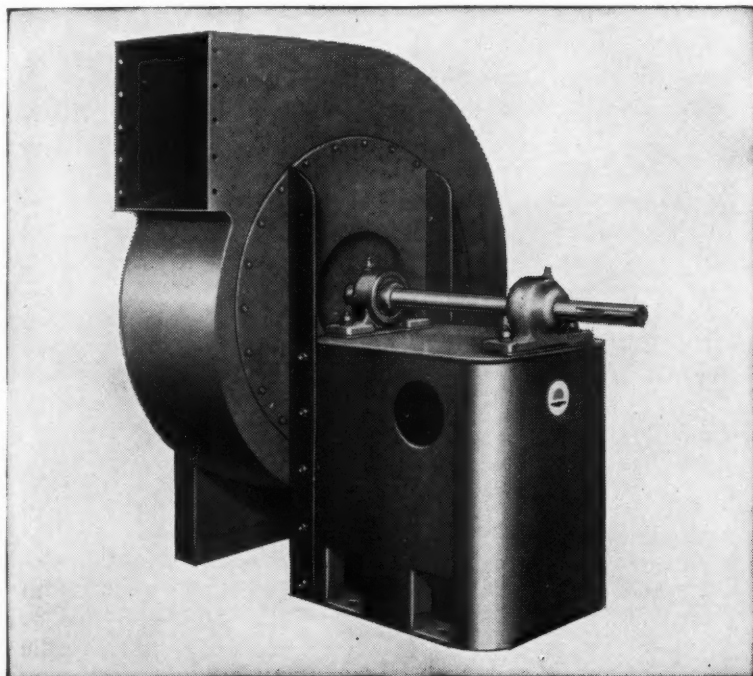
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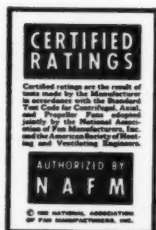
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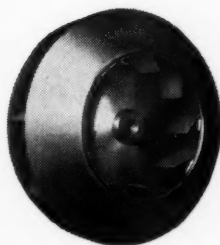


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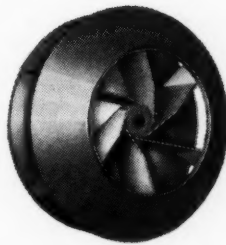
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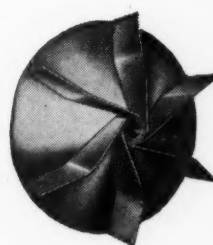
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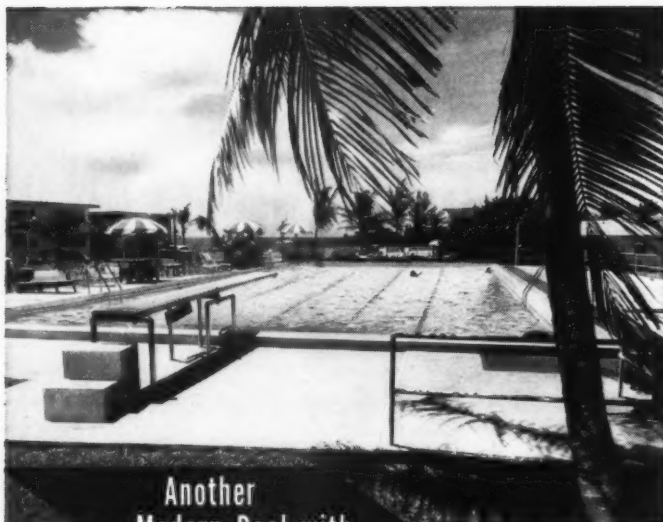
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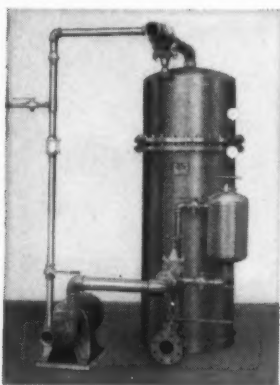
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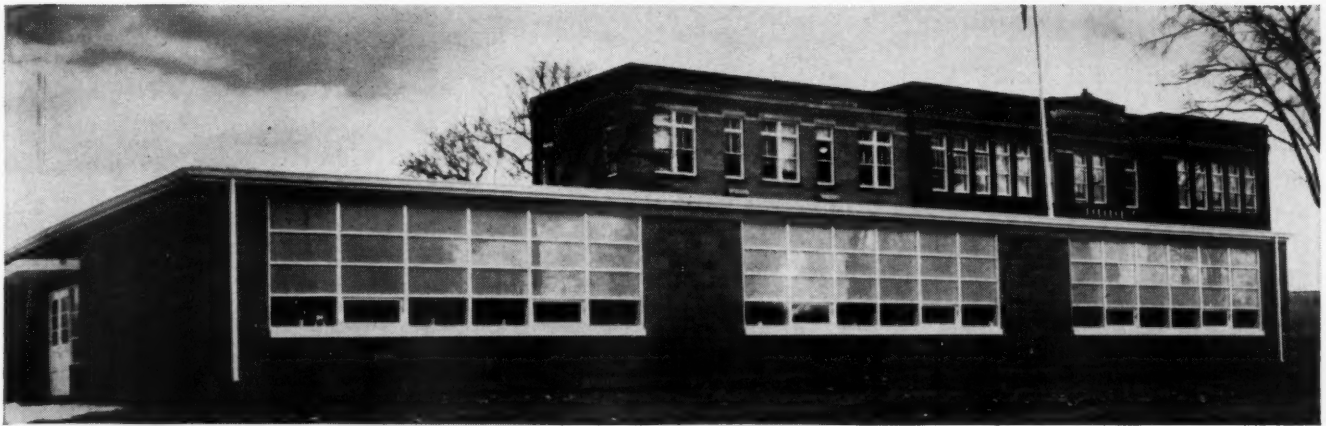
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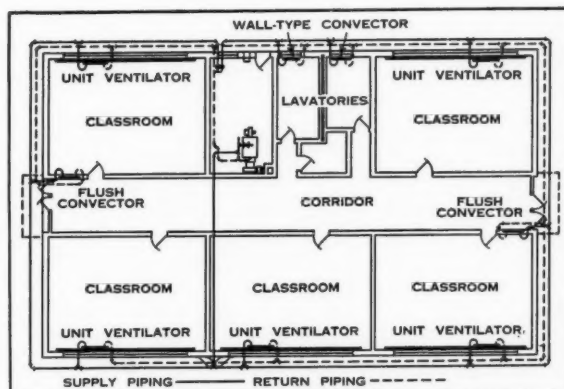
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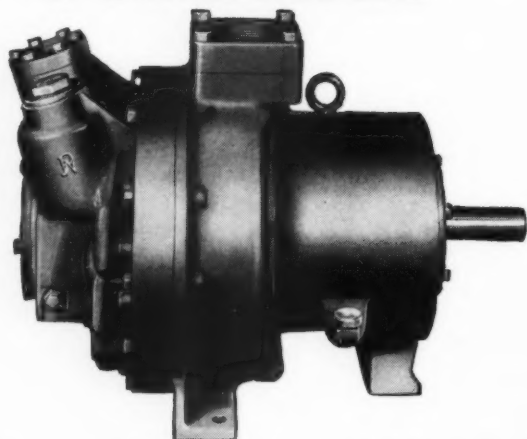
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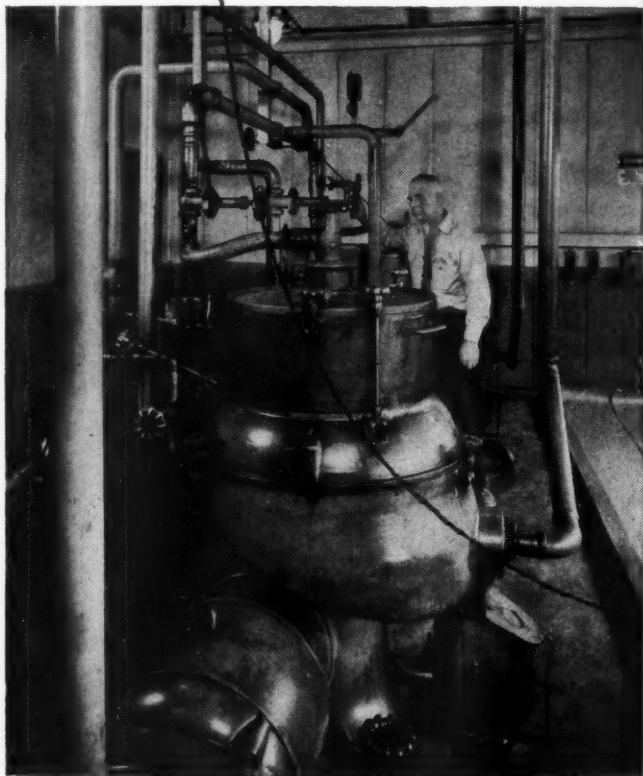
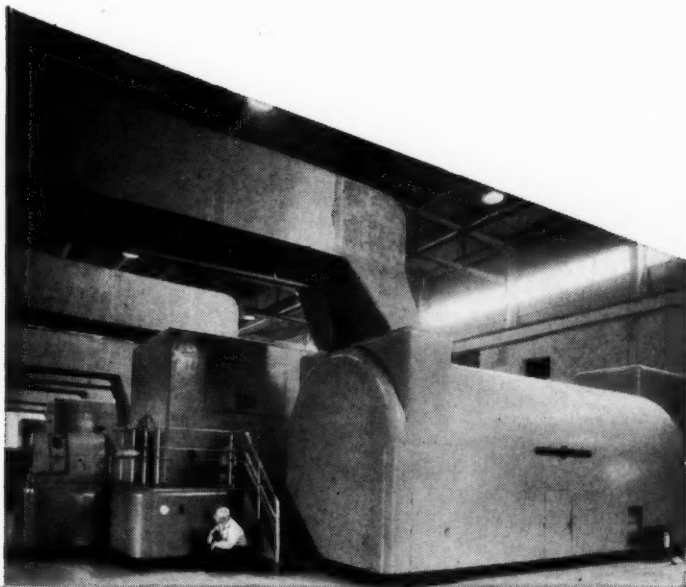
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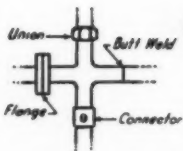


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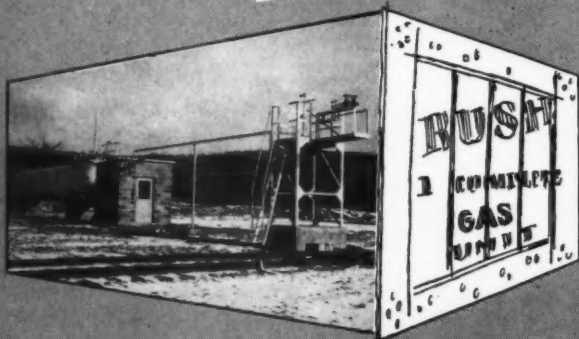
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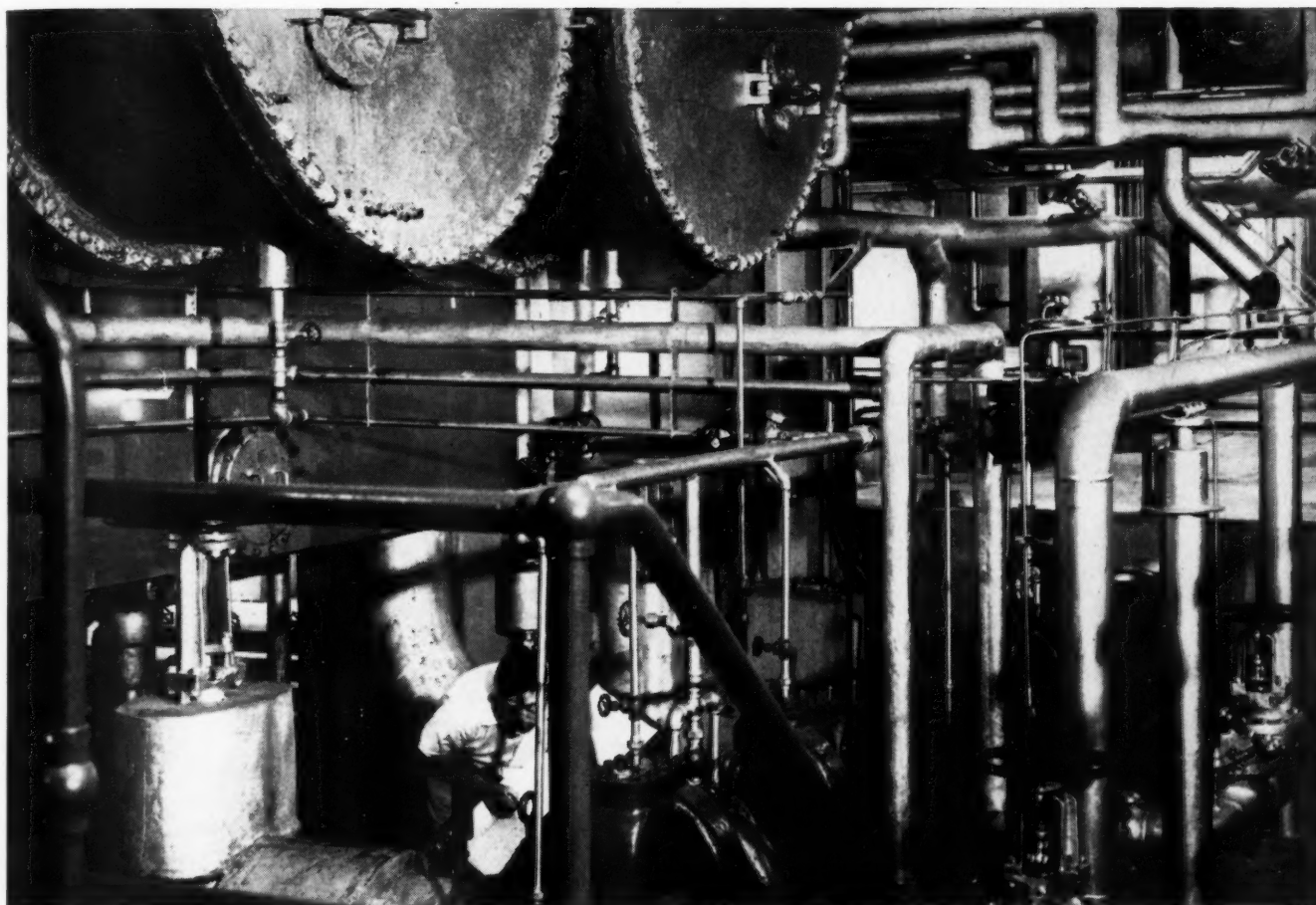
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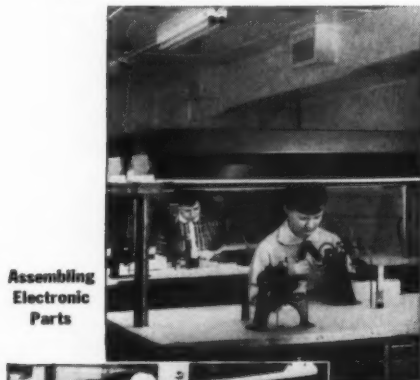
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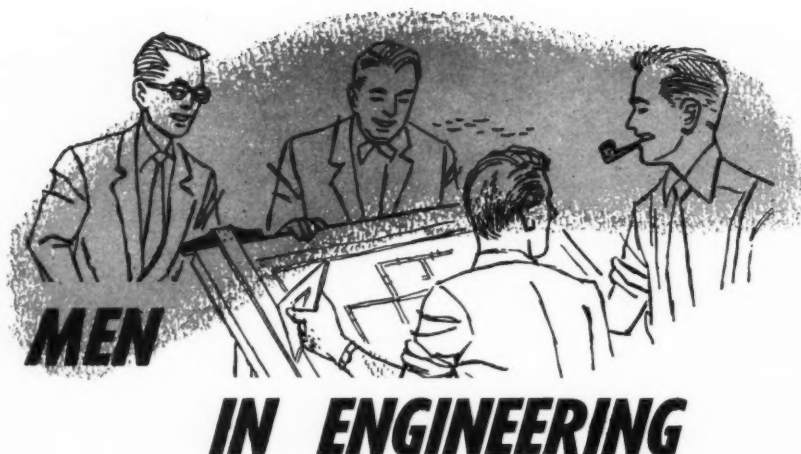
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Colonel Sidney H. Bingham (Ret.), Consulting Engineer, has opened new offices at 109 East 35th St., New York 16, N. Y.

O'Brien & Gere, Consulting Engineers, Syracuse, N. Y., announce appointment of Walter K. Neubauer as an associate member. He will head the department of water supply engineering.

Wilberding Co., Inc., Engineers, are now located in their new building at 1023 20th St. N. W., Wash., D. C.

Five new members have been added to the executive committee of Foster D. Snell, Inc.: Daniel Schoenholz, director of product development dept.; Dr. Chester A. Snell, director of analytical dept. and v. p. of Crippen & Erlich Laboratories; Philip B. Ostrow, assistant secretary and chief accountant; Lloyd Osipow, director of surface chemistry dept.; and Richard L. Moore, assistant treasurer and director of personnel and public relations.

Sargent & Lundy has admitted Kenneth W. Hamming as a partner in the firm. He has been with the firm since 1940.

Foster D. Snell, Inc. has added Biochemical Procedures, 8350 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, Calif., as west coast laboratory of the firm. S. Louis Gaines will head the west coast operation.

M. S. Umbenhauer has been appointed manager of power plant design for The Fluor Corp., Ltd.

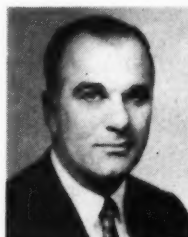
Paul C. Meyer, newly elected vice president of the Henry J. Kaiser Co., will be responsible for all administrative activities of the Kaiser Engineers Div. and its subsidiaries.

James P. O'Donnell, Consulting Engineer, New York City and Beaumont, Tex., announces the following staff promotions: John J. Lanigan to senior associate engineer while re-

taining the post of chief engineer, and George J. Feinman and Edward G. Fitzgerald each to associate engineer. The posts are newly created executive engineering positions.

Walter Kidde Constructors, Inc. has elected Gerard T. Shannon as vice president of Walter Kidde Engineers Southwest, Inc., a division of the parent company, with headquarters in Houston, Tex.

Edmund M. Kowkabany has been elected vice president of Burns and Roe, Inc.



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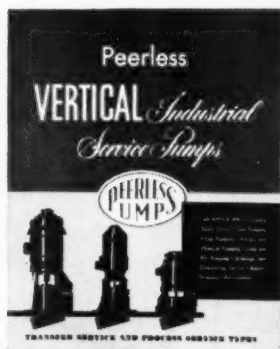
At Ebasco Services, Inc., E. K. Wilkins has been appointed vice president in charge of construction, W. H. Colquhoun has been made vice president in charge of engineering, and Albert W. Smith has been named assistant manager of the sales, marketing, and public relations consulting department.

John P. H. Perry has been elected a consultant in the firm of Seelye Stevenson Value & Knecht of New York City. Perry was formerly deputy to the assistant secretary of the U. S. Air Force in charge of U. S. Air Base construction.

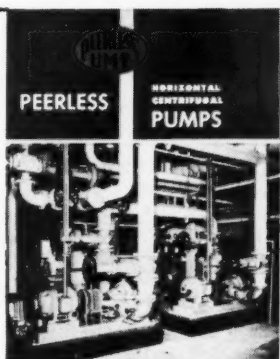
F. W. Littell has joined the firm of MSI Communications Consulting Engineers, Microwave Services, Inc. as a senior consultant.

G. O. Noville & Associates, Inc., Los Angeles firm of consulting, design, and development engineers, has been awarded a \$100,000 contract

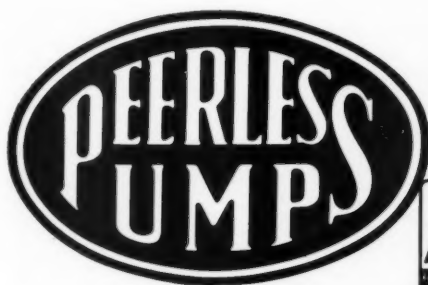
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Dr. Louis C. McCabe, formerly scientist director in the United States Public Health Service, announces formation of a new firm, Resources Research, Inc., an organization of consultants specializing in solving air and stream pollution problems. He will be joined in the new enterprise by Frederick S. Mallette, executive secretary of the committee on air pollution controls and research manager of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers; and William S. McCabe, consulting geologist of Casper, Wyo.

Horizons Inc., Cleveland industrial and governmental research organization, has named Dr. John T. Burwell, Jr. as vice president; Dr. James L. Wyatt, head of the department of metallurgical engineering; Bertram C. Raynes, head of the department of chemical engineering; and Calvin A. Schunemann, head of the analytical chemistry section under the department of chemistry.

Offices of Yamasaki, Leinweber & Associates are now located at 103 West 5th St., Royal Oak, Mich.

Paul Rogers, head of Paul Rogers & Associates, Consulting Engineers, of Chicago, Ill., has been elected secretary of the Illinois section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

John R. Snell, formerly head of the civil and sanitary engineering department of Michigan State University, has organized a new firm of consulting engineers, John R. Snell and Associates. Offices are at 6103 Lake Lansing Dr., Haslett, Michigan.

The H. K. Ferguson, is establishing a division office in Atlanta, Ga., at 1528 Fulton National Bank Bldg. Cephas P. Quattlebaum has been appointed assistant contract manager for the eastern district and head of the new office.

Carlton S. Proctor is the new president of the American Institute of Consulting Engineers, succeeding Francis S. Friel, of Philadelphia. Colonel Proctor, a partner in the firm of Moran, Proctor, Mueser & Rutledge, is a past president of the American Society of Civil Engineers and a trustee of Princeton University. Other new officers are: Richard Hazen and Robert W. Abbott, vice presidents; Herschel H. Allen, Ellis E. Paul, and Maurice F. Scharff, members of the governing council. ▲ ▲



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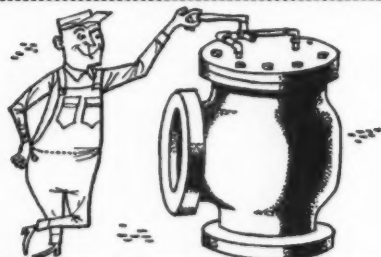
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### Australian Hydro-Electric Plan

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### Pipeline for South Africa

A feasibility and economic aspect study of the possibility of constructing a 400 mile oil pipeline from the Port of Durban to the Johannesburg area will soon be conducted by a Union of South Africa government commission. If constructed, it would lighten traffic between South Africa's largest industrial and mining complex and the Union's most important harbor. It might also be expected to lower the present inland price of 50¢ per Imperial gallon of gasoline. The line would take about a year to build with an operating cost of ½ to 1¢ per Imperial gallon.

### Atoms in Africa

The start of uranium production at the Virginia Mine in the Orange Free State Province of the Union of South Africa brings the total number of plants turning out

uranium oxide to 13. Eventually, uranium production is expected to contribute about \$160 million a year to the national income.

As part of the Union's adaptation to the demands of the atomic age, a 16 million electron volt cyclotron has been built near Pretoria by the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. Construction was carried out according to designs of the Nuclear Physics division of the National Physical Laboratory.

### Nile To Be Harnessed

One of the world's largest dams, to be built at Asswan, Egypt, will have a storage capacity of 170 million cu yd, four times that of Boulder Dam. Two branches of the Nile Delta will be closed as part of the project. At present, 35 percent of the Nile's water runs into the sea instead of being used for irrigation purposes.

The British firm of Sir Alexander Gibb and Partners will act as consulting engineers for the whole scheme, which, when completed in about ten years, will have cost \$641 million. The Egyptians hope that the World Bank will finance the project. Iron Curtain countries have already offered money, engineers, and machinery.

### Public Works in Yugoslavia

The U. S. has approved the release of \$5 million in counterpart funds for the construction of a new steel bridge across the Sava River connecting Belgrade with western Yugoslavia. The new bridge, with an 800-ft main span, will cost \$8.5 million and will replace a bridge



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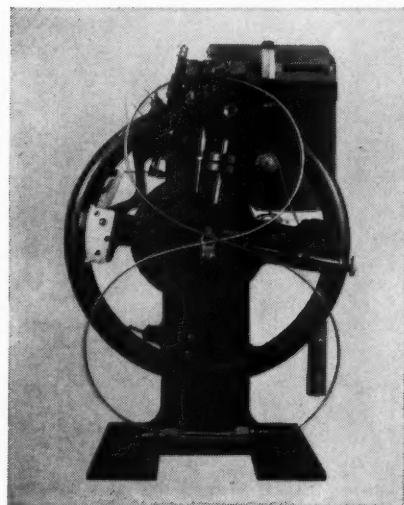
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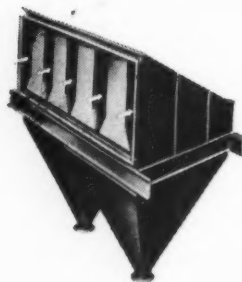




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destroyed during World War II. A German firm designed the new bridge and is constructing it along with several Yugoslav firms.

During the last three years the U.S. has released over \$100 million in counterpart funds for Yugoslav land - reclamation, health, sanitation, and other projects. At present, Yugoslavia is asking for counterpart funds for several other projects, including that of the important Zagreb-Ljubljana highway and the tourist highway along the Adriatic coast.

#### Austrian Hydro-Station

Construction work on Austria's big hydro-electric power plant at Kaprun, on the 12,454-ft high Grossglockner mountain, is now completed. After the installation of all generators and other electrical equipment, the Kaprun plant will work at full capacity as of this coming April or May.

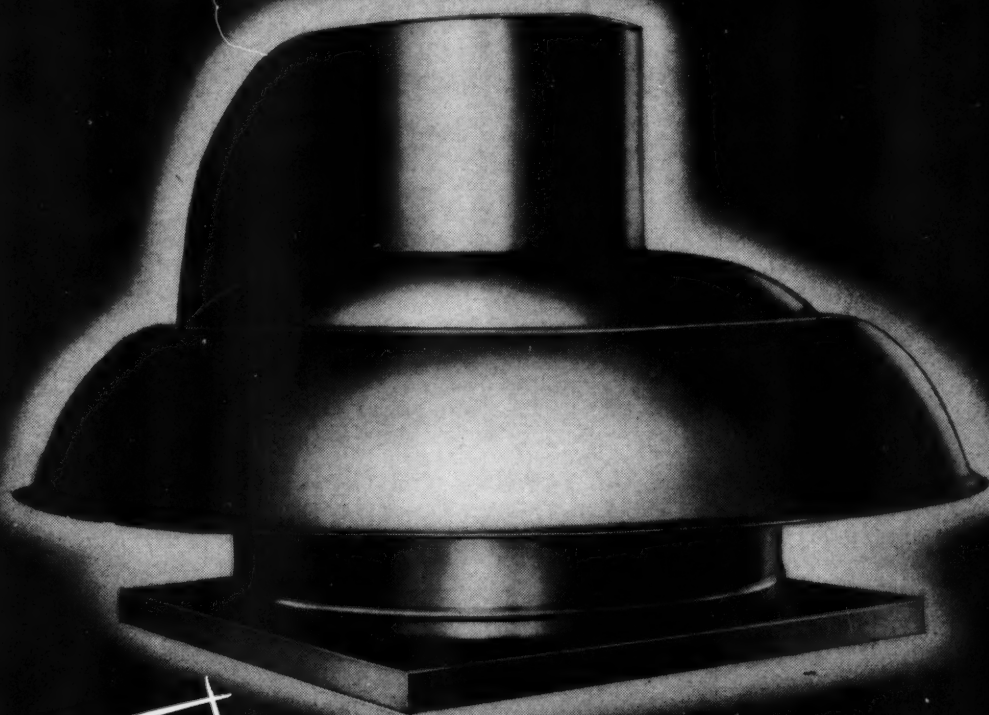
#### Resources Inventory by Air

Under provisions of the Colombo Plan for the economic development of South and Southeast Asia, a contract has been awarded to Photographic Survey Corp., Ltd., of Toronto, Canada, for an inventory of Ceylon's resources by aerial survey methods. Cost of the survey, spread over a two year period, will be about \$500,000.

The whole island will be photographed from a Lockheed Hudson airplane and mosaics and maps prepared from the photographs. Geological and forestry studies will be made at the same time and a river basin examined from the air and on the ground by a group of agricultural and irrigation experts. Arrangements will also be made to replan the city of Kandy with the help of air photographs of the present city.

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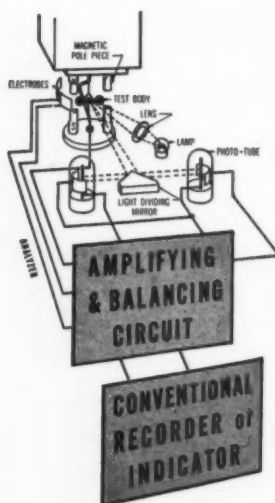
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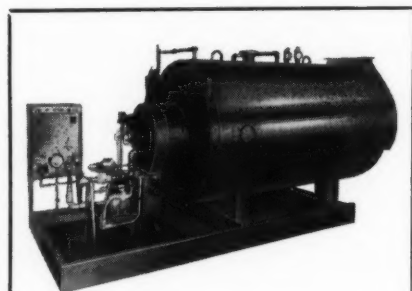
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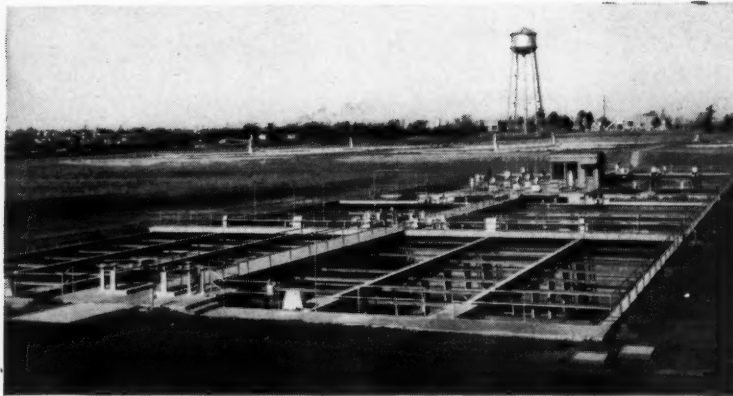
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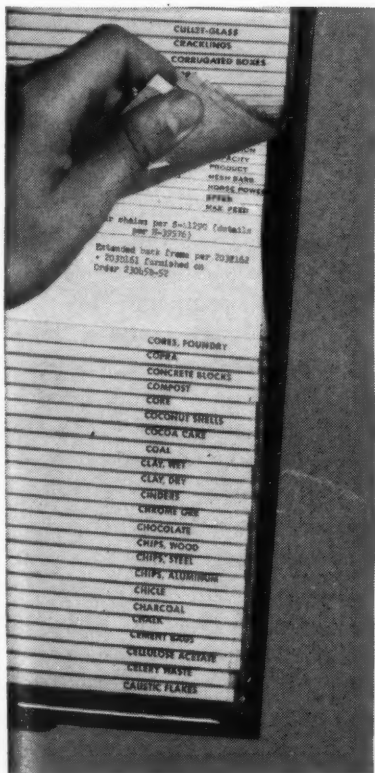




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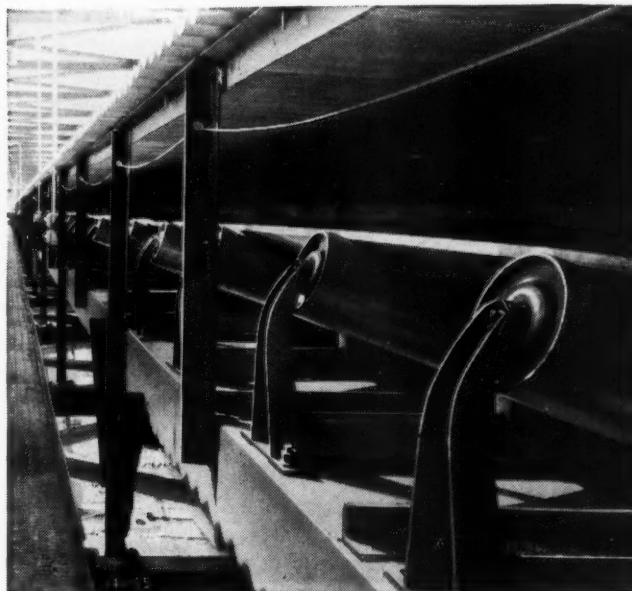


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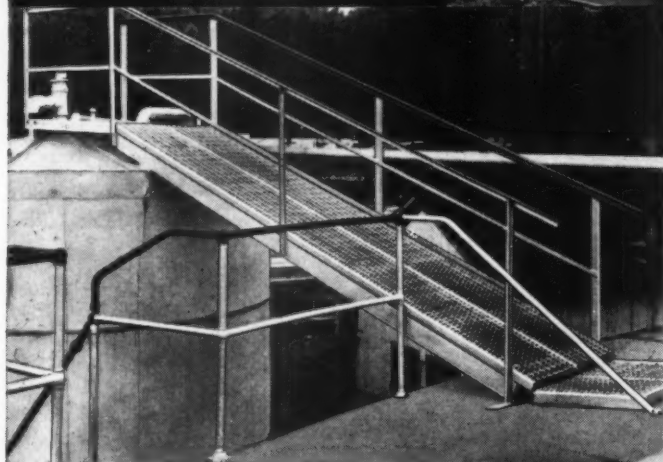


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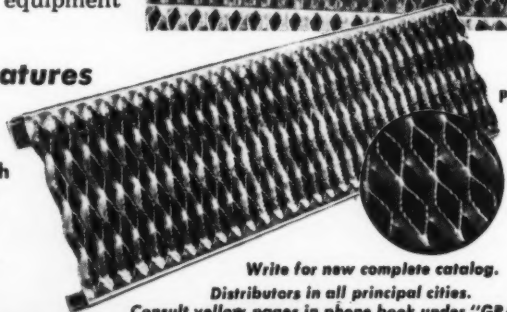
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Progress is being made in research into reducing the chlorine content of coals by extracting part of the chlorine with water and also into the possibility of modifying boiler designs to extend tube life.

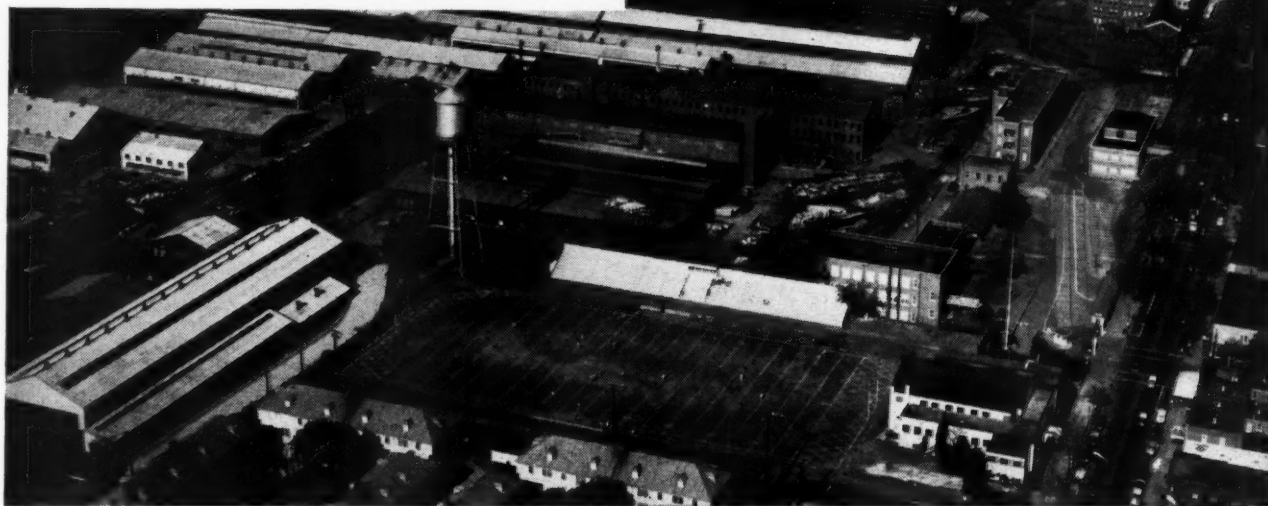
## Moselle Waterway Development

French and West German delegations have opened a discussion, scheduled to run three or four months, on proposals to develop the Moselle waterway as a low-cost transportation link between French steel mills and Ruhr coal pits. Several proposals for the Moselle development have been worked out by each side. The purpose of the present conference is to decide if one of these proposals, or a composite of several of them, can be used, or if new technical work is required. For a long time France has sought the construction of canals and other works to develop the Moselle in order to move Ruhr coal by barge to French mills instead of by relatively expensive rail transport. This would enable French steel-makers to reduce their selling price and thus put them in a better competitive position.

## Potential Ruhr in Northern Greece

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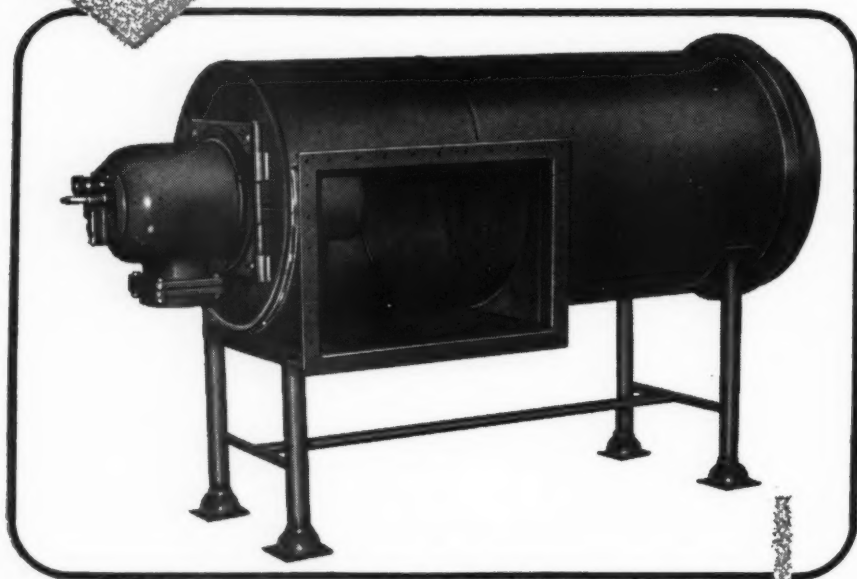
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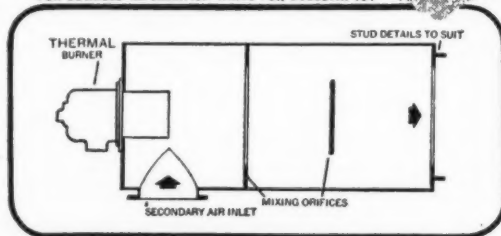
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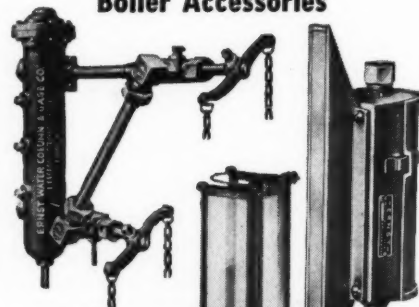


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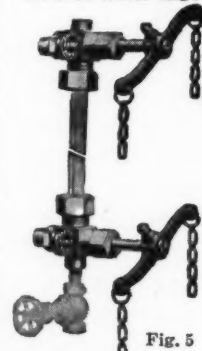


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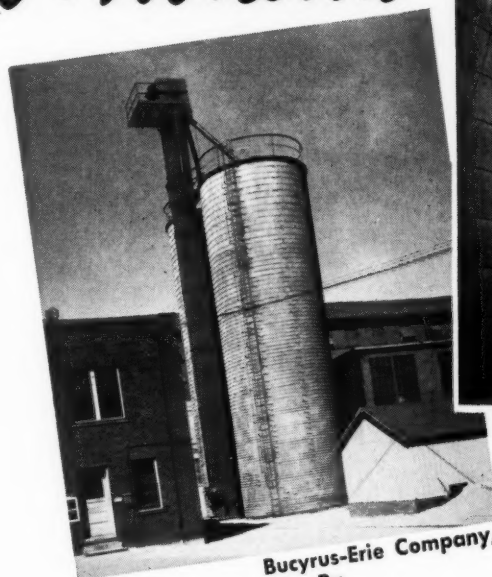
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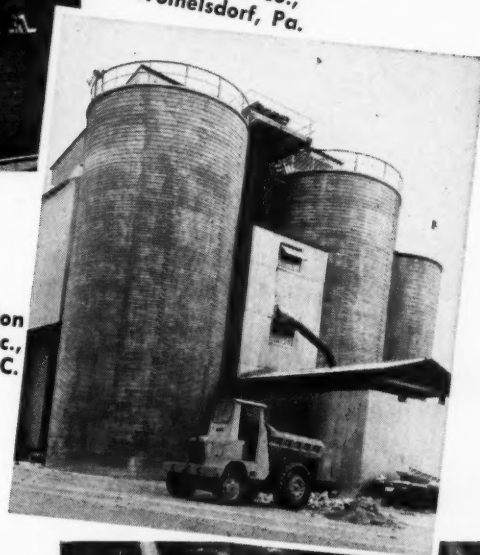
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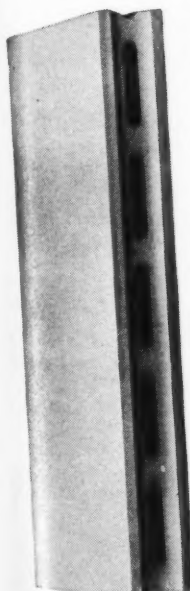
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It is this cooperation that points to the future status of Ptolemais as a Grecian Ruhr. With a network of chemical and metallurgical industries it would create a much needed center of industry away from Athens, and at the same time solve the pressing problem of unemployment in northern Greece.

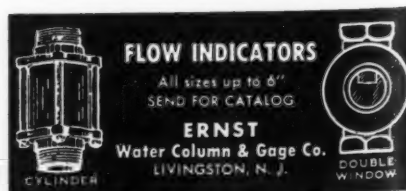
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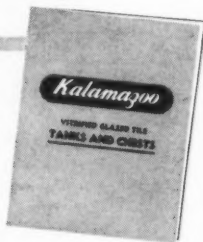
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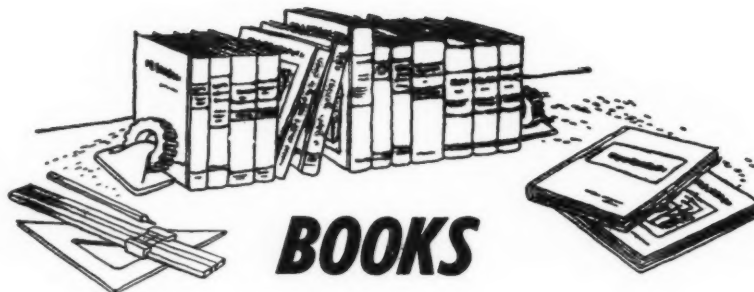
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Reviewed by Eric T. B. Gross  
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This college textbook, originally written over thirty years ago by A. L. Cook, has been used as the basic

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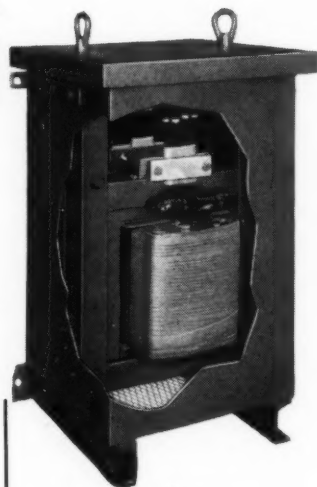
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The book needs no further recommendation. It has established its place not only as a college text but also as part of the library of many practicing engineers as the volume they use or wish to consult in order to clarify a basic problem in one of the branches of electrical engineering.

PRINCIPLES OF ELECTRIC UTILITY ENGINEERING, by Charles A. Powell; The Technology Press of M.I.T. and John Wiley & Sons, Inc.; 251 pp; \$6.00.

*Reviewed by John C. Hitt,  
Jackson & Moreland*

The background of this book is interesting. Upon his retirement from Westinghouse a few years ago

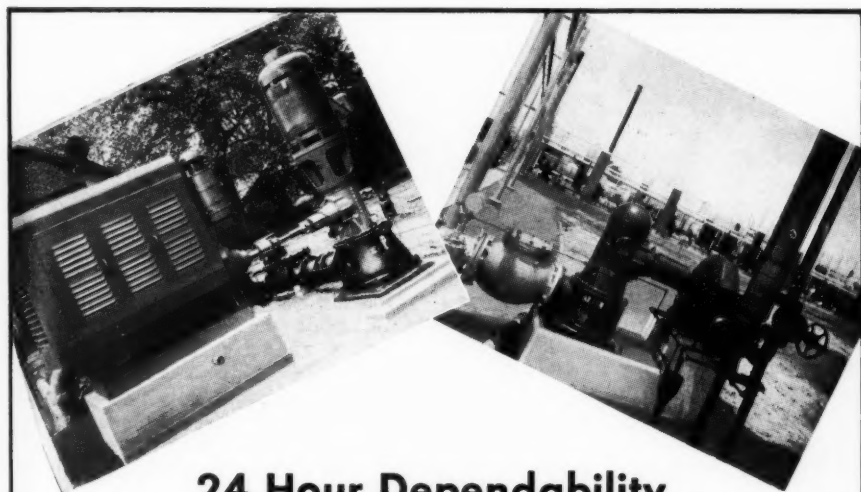
Mr. Powell (a past president of AIEE) was invited to join the M.I.T. staff as a Lecturer. The subject matter was to be various phases of power engineering. The purpose was the revival of interest in this field among M.I.T. electrical engineering students. The present book is based on those lectures.

In reviewing this book two questions are pertinent. Does it present to electrical students an interesting and balanced picture of the engineering work they may expect to encounter in the electric utility industry? Does the book have value for engineers in the consulting field?

Let us consider the first of these questions. The author has appropriately remarked in the preface that any chapter could be expanded into several volumes. His very condensed discussions of a multitude of subjects give a good picture of present practice. However, I feel that his purpose of exciting the interest and imagination of students would be better served if he devoted more attention to the important engineering problems in the future of the public utility field. Typical subjects of this type, to which the book gives little or no attention, are as follows:

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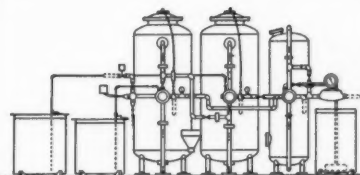
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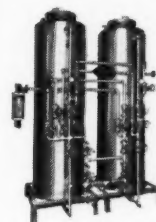


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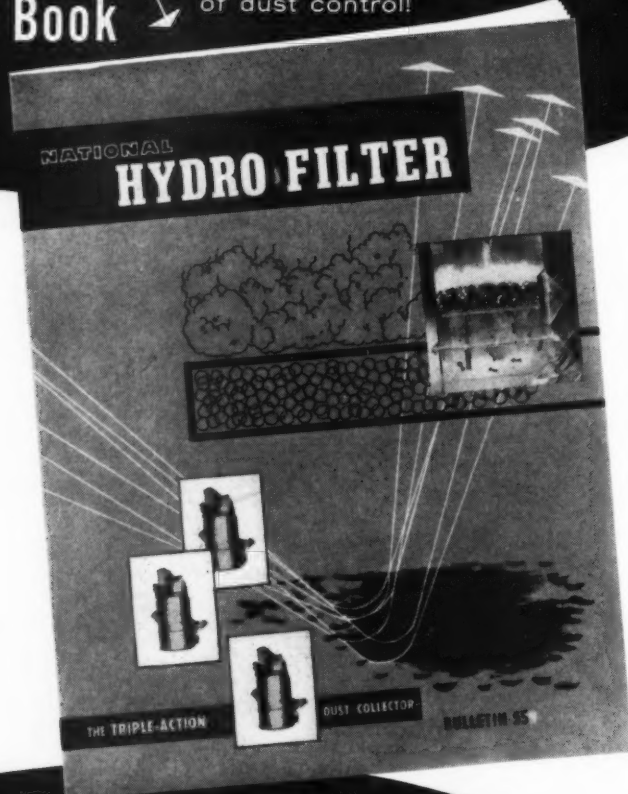
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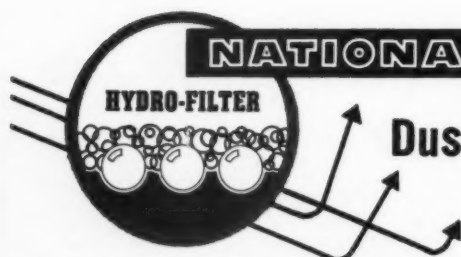
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Returning now to the second question, it is felt that this volume will be of interest to a consulting engineer, but not of definite value to him. It will broaden his understanding of public utility engineering, if his present knowledge is rather limited. However the book is of necessity too condensed to be of much help for specific problems.

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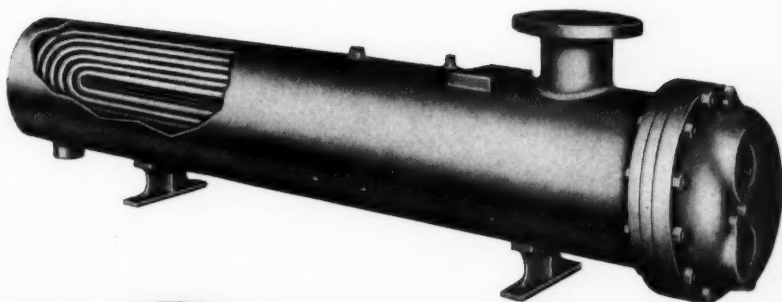


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